

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

GA1/II/4

SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: General and Complete Disarmament: Consolidation of Peace Through Practical Disarmament Measures

SUBMITTED TO: The First Committee

SUBMITTED BY: Colombia, Dominican Republic, Jamaica

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1 *Bearing* in mind that in certain situations mercenaries, terrorists and child soldiers are supplied
2 with weapons acquired from illicit transfers of conventional arms,

3 *Recalling* resolutions 48/75 F and H of 16 December 1993, 49/75 M of 15 December 1994,
4 50/70 J of 12 December 1995 on measures to curb the illicit transfer and use of conventional arms,

5 *Recalling* further resolutions 51/45 N of 10 December 1996, 52/38 G of 9 December 1997,
6 53/77 M of 4 December 1998, 54/54 H of 1 December 1999, 55/33 G of 20 November 2000 on
7 consolidation of peace through practical disarmament measures,

8 *Reaffirming* the United Nations peace and international security as explicitly stated in the UN
9 Charter under Chapter 1, Article 1,

10 *Further reaffirming* the role of the United Nations in the field of disarmament and the
11 commitment of member states to take concrete steps in order to strengthen that role,

12 *Realizing* that arms obtained through the illicit arms trade are most likely to be used for violent
13 purposes and that even small arms when so obtained, directly or indirectly by non-state actors can pose
14 a danger to regional and international security, and certainly to the security and political stability of the
15 countries affected,

16 *Noting* the work of the Disarmament Commission on international arms transfers,

17 *Welcoming* the Program of Action adopted by the United Nations Conference on the Illicit Trade
18 in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects,

19 *Recognizing* that the illegal exportation of small arms and light weapons has significantly
20 contributed to forty seven of forty nine armed conflicts throughout the last decade,

21 1. *Urges* all nations to take immediate action to implement the Program of Action established at
22 UN Conference on Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects;

23 2. *Encourages* cooperation among state organs, international organizations and civil society in
24 combating the illicit traffic in small arms;

25 3. *Calls Upon* the international community to provide voluntary infrastructural and financial
26 support to strengthen the capacity of civil organizations to take action to combat the illicit trade in small
27 arms;

28 4. *Invites* the Secretary-General, and those states and organizations that are in a position to do
29 so to continue to collect and distribute data and provide assistance to states to states for curbing the
30 illicit traffic in small arms and collecting them;

31 5. *Urges* all nations to cooperate in exchanging information of the illicit trade routes and
32 methods of operations;

33 6. *Invites* member states to enact adequate national legislation and regulations, and adopt
34 administrative procedures in order to exercise effective control over the export and import of arms, with
35 the aim of preventing the trafficking in illicit arms and bringing offenders to justice;

36 7. *Calls Upon* all member states to coordinate and enhance international efforts aimed at
37 increased openness and transparency in small arms transactions;

38 8. *Invites* member states to adopt the provisions set forth by the proposed Arms Trade Treaty to
39 help insure maximum control of arms transfers in all its aspects, especially legal arms transfers to
40 recipients who are known human rights abusers;

Final Vote: 69 - 9 - 27