



# THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

GA1/I/20

SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Promotion of Multilateralism in the Area of Disarmament and Non-Proliferation

SUBMITTED TO: The General Assembly

*The General Assembly*

*Noting* with emphasis the effectiveness of all methods of diplomacy including multilateral and bilateral,

*Emphasizing* the need to promote multilateralism in the area of disarmament,

*Recognizing* that disarmament is not limited to weapons of mass destruction,

*Alarmed by* the fact that small arms weapons have resulted in more deaths than any weapon of mass destruction,

*Guided by* the principles and ideas of the United Nations and in effort promote accountability and transparency among member states,

*Seeking* that the First Committee working in conjunction with the General Assembly Plenary take steps to provide for a new level of security, cooperation, and trust between member states,

*Noting with approval* all UN resolutions and international treaties working to combat the proliferation of small arms,

*Reaffirming* Article 2 Clause 7 of the United Nations Charter pertaining to the rights of states to control their own domestic affairs,

*Further reaffirming* the goal of the United Nations to provide a peaceful alternative to settling disputes,

1. *Requests* that a new committee be formed under the control of the Secretary-General of the United Nations with the aim of accounting for small arms and small arms traffic;

2. *Further requests* that membership of this committee be comprised of fifteen total members each serving two year terms, except for the five learned professionals which will serve four year terms;

3. *Recommends* that the fifteen members of the committee be comprised of:

37 (a) Seven regional representative member states elected from each of the following Inter-  
38 governmental organizations: OAS, EU, NATO, CIS, AU, OIC, ASEAN elected by their respective  
39 members

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41 (b) Three non-governmental organizations, elected by the General Assembly Plenary  
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43 (c) Five learned professionals in the areas related to the non-proliferation of weapons, also  
44 elected by the General Assembly Plenary  
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46 4. *Further recommends* that no more than nine elections for committee membership occur per  
47 year;  
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49 5. *Authorizes* the committee to curtail small arms proliferation:  
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51 (a) By attaining member state approval for securing an accurate count of type and grade of  
52 small and conventional arms possessed by each member state  
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54 (b) By assisting member states in securing their small and conventional arms depots and  
55 stock piles  
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57 (c) By promoting national security awareness within member states through the use of  
58 educational doctrines  
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60 (d) By securing unspent weapons and ordinances that remain from past conflicts  
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62 (e) By placing special attention on the quantity, type and grade of small arms within areas of  
63 civil unrest  
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65 (f) By providing member states with technological, economic, and training assistance, for all  
66 member states wishing to better secure their own small and conventional arms storage and depot  
67 centers  
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69 (g) By providing further economic aid to any nation wishing to disarm portions of their  
70 arsenals under the supervision of UN inspectors  
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72 6. *Recommends* that the committee evaluate and work with member states strictly on a case by  
73 case basis;  
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75 7. *Authorizes* the committee to send recommendations to the Commission for Sustainable  
76 Development for economic aid to those nations willing to allow UN inspection of their small and  
77 conventional arms stockpiles;  
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79 9. *Seeks* that the expenditure of economic resources with the aim of providing aid to  
80 member states in compliance with all or part of the committee's agenda and mandate be provided by  
81 the Secretary General with approval from the General Assembly;  
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83 10. *Considers* appropriate multilateral pressure be applied to member states in non-compliance  
84 with the committee's agenda and mandate;  
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86 11. *Urges* that any multilateral pressure applied against member states be reserved as a final  
87 measure towards insuring multilateral cooperation;

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89 the proliferation and production of small arms.

Final Vote: 82 in favor / 3 opposed / 20 abstentions

Abstaining: Botswana, Croatia, Cyprus, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Fiji, Honduras, Iceland, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Morocco, Netherlands, Republic of Korea, Slovakia, Spain, Sri Lanka, United Arab Emirates, Tanzania, Vietnam