



SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Regional Disarmament  
SUBMITTED TO: The First Committee  
SUBMITTED BY: Azerbaijan, Germany, Indonesia, New Zealand

*The First Committee*

1 *Mindful* of the provisions of Article 11, paragraph 1, of the Charter  
2 of the United Nations stipulating that the function of the General Assembly is to consider  
3 the general principles of cooperation in the maintenance of international peace and  
4 security, including the principles governing disarmament and arms limitation,  
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6 *Recalling* UN resolutions 60/83 of 8 December 2005, 61/90 of 6 December 2006,  
7 and 62/50 of 7 December 2007 concerning the status and strengthening of the three  
8 United Nations Regional Centres for Peace and Disarmament in Peru, Nepal, and Togo,  
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10 *Celebrates* that without violating the sovereignty of nation-states, these Regional  
11 Centres have enjoyed great success,  
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13 *Noting with satisfaction* the amount of regional and multilateral trust that has been  
14 created and nurtured through these Centres,  
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16 *Acknowledging* the invaluable contributions that Non-Governmental  
17 Organizations (NGOs) continue to provide support for the operation and maintenance of  
18 these Centres,  
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20 *Viewing with appreciation* the reports from the Secretary-General on the success  
21 that these Regional Centres have attained so far, especially the United Nations Regional  
22 Centres for Peace and Development in Asia, the Pacific, and Africa,  
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24 *Recognizing* the ability of the Regional Centres to further work towards the  
25 achievement of Millenium Development Goal #8 (developing a global partnership for  
26 development).  
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28 1. *Encourages* cooperation between Member States and NGOs towards achieving  
29 the common objective of regional disarmament;  
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31 2. *Supports* the vocational and educational programmes within regional centres  
32 raising awareness of non-violence in working towards the United Nations Goals for

33 Peace;

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35           3. *Urges* all states, as well as International Governmental Organizations and  
36 NGOs and foundations, to make voluntary contributions in order to strengthen the  
37 programmes and activities of the Regional Centre and facilitate their implementation;

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39           4. *Requests* that the United Nations and the Organization for Security and  
40 Cooperation in Europe, in recognition of the alignment of interests with the Office for  
41 Disarmament Affairs, consider reallocating resources to address funding gaps within the  
42 operating budget of Regional Disarmament Centres;

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44           5. *Recommends* the creation of additional Regional Centres, taking into account  
45 the availability of financial resources, in an effort to provide the facilities to enhance  
46 regional cooperation for disarmament for all nations of the world, notably Sub-Saharan  
47 Africa and the Middle East;

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49           6. *Notes* that Sudan and Iraq have volunteered their countries for consideration as  
50 future host nations for Regional Centres for Disarmament;

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52           7. *Recommends* that, noting the success of the Office for Disarmament Affairs  
53 (ODA), taking into account the availability of financial resources, that their resources and  
54 function be increased to allow the ODA to act to greater effect in the interest of regional  
55 disarmament.

Passed, Yes: 67 / No: 7 / Abstain: 32