



SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Regional Disarmament
SUBMITTED TO: The First Committee
SUBMITTED BY: El Salvador, Ecuador, Dominican Republic, Fiji

The First Committee

1 *Noting* the views expressed in Resolution A/GA/61/67, declaring a fourth
2 disarmament decade,

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4 *Further noting* previous resolutions, such as A/GA/61/80, that reaffirm the need
5 for disarmament, in respect to the unique problems in individual regions and states,

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7 *Noting* with grave concern the role that illicit small arms play in the
8 destabilization of developing states and the unrest caused by trafficking, utilization, and
9 dependence upon the trade as a livelihood,

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11 *Reiterating* the concerns expressed through the diverse spectrum of Member
12 States from regions worldwide at the Ottawa Convention, which discusses in depth
13 increased numbers of stockpiling, production, and transfer of anti-personnel mines and
14 small arms in all areas of the world,

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16 *Noting with satisfaction* the continued work of Member States on the progress in
17 programs such as the Convention on the Prohibition Development and stockpiling of
18 chemical and biological weapons, and other such endeavors,

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20 *Alarmed by* the increase in the number of deaths and conflicts in all regions due to
21 the perpetuation of illicit weapons, namely small arms,

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23 *Noting with deep concern* the importance of well-being, security, and authoritative
24 stability of each individual state, with respect to sovereignty as stated in the United
25 Nations Charter,

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27 *Recognizing* the urgent need to begin to disarm and destroy weapons of present
28 danger and civility,

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30 *Fully aware* of the necessity for funding in Regional Centers for Disarmament and
31 Peace to support strong national organizations, including the Patriotic Movement Against
32 Crime (PMAC), and others that are active and successfully progressing disarmament,

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34 1. *Congratulates* the body on its great work and achievements on the topic of
35 regional disarmament;

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37 2. *Urges* the international community to come together through bilateral and
38 multilateral agreements in the case of regional disarmament;

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40 3. *Recommends further* implementation of the campaign "Goods for Guns", where
41 states provide positive encouragement of disarming through mass volunteering with
42 voucher incentives for those individuals participating;

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44 4. *Suggests* minor reallocation of supportive Member State funds to the incentives
45 program pushed by Goods for Guns as a 'starter fund', as well as funds from
46 existing NGOs specializing in disarmament;

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48 5. *Calls for* said incentive programs to include the exchange of, but not limiting,
49 goods and services specific to the needs expressed by region, such as health care,
50 food supply, and tools for development;

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52 6. *Seeks* the cooperation of the National Media Advertisers Association (NMAA)
53 as a means of bringing the existence of this program onto a worldwide scale, in
54 hopes of promoting regional disarmament;

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56 7. *Recommends* the need for transparency, for the purpose of presenting data and
57 providing progress, further contributing to an increased positive atmosphere of
58 participation;

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60 8. *Encourages* the implementation of the Goods for Guns program and upon
61 ample success begin disarmament on a larger scale, based on the individual needs of
62 states;

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64 9. *Further encourages* Member States to promote education to combat illicit trade
65 by inviting Regional Centers for Peace and Disarmament to hold forums
66 on combating illicit arms trade;

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68 10. *Supports* of additional programs that involve NGOs relative to disarmament to
69 cooperate with other institutions and organizations, further building consensus and
70 creating a sense of purpose within the international community.

Passed, Yes: 60 / No: 11 / Abstain: 29