



American Model United Nations
General Assembly First Committee

GA 1st/II/3

SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty
SUBMITTED TO: The General Assembly First Committee
SUBMITTED BY: Switzerland

The General Assembly

1 *Believing* that it is every Member State's right to sovereignty,
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3 *Recognizing* that the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty's second pillar, primarily
4 concerning disarmament, is, for many Member States, a threat to national sovereignty on
5 some level,
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7 *Fully aware* of the roles of the First Committee, to assist in enabling and fulfilling
8 the agreements of the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT),
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10 *Observing* the failures and triumphs of the NPT in the past and present,
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12 *Realizing* that one of these failures is the ambiguity of Article X, which establishes
13 a Member State's right to withdraw from the NPT after giving three-months notice,
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15 *Fully believing* that withdrawal from the NPT can be seen as either a sign of a
16 Member State wishing to develop nuclear weapons or a sign of a Member State
17 threatened by the decreasing force of the NPT as more Member States withdraw,
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19 *Recalling* that Article X of the NPT does not require a Member State to declare its
20 intentions before withdrawing from the committee,
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22 1. *Recommends* to the Sixth Committee that new protocols to the NPT be
23 established including:

24 (a) requiring Member States withdrawing from the NPT to provide a full
25 explanation for their withdrawal;

26 (b) allowing for verbal inquiries of said explanation, with the option to abstain, of
27 the delegation of the Member State withdrawing from the NPT;

28 2. *Emphasizes* the increase in the transparency of information between all
29 withdrawing Member States and Continuing Member States of the NPT from both of
30 these new protocols;

31 3. *Further emphasizes* that such an increase in transparency of information

33 through the withdrawing Member State's explanation could lead to an increase in
34 awareness of potential problems with the NPT that could be discussed and debated;

35 4. *Affirms* that the increase in transparency of information would also provide
36 another source of evidence for recourse through the Security Council;

37 5. *Further affirms* that the increase in transparency of information may very well
38 lead to a decrease in false information surrounding the withdrawal of a Member State;

39 6. *Urges* others Member States to support this resolution to lead to clearer
40 interpretations of withdrawals from the NPT.

Passed, Yes: 57 / No: 11 / Abstain: 36