



**ASEAN INTER-PARLIAMENTARY ORGANIZATION**  
**20<sup>th</sup> GENERAL ASSEMBLY**  
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Res. 20GA/99/POL-03

**RESOLUTION**  
**ON**  
**NUCLEAR NON-PROLIFERATION TREATY (NPT) AND**  
**COMPREHENSIVE TEST BAN TREATY (CTBT)**

**The Twentieth General Assembly :**

**Noting** that the Nuclear Non-proliferation Treaty (NPT) and the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty (CTBT) have been hailed as instruments for the eventual elimination of nuclear weapons;

**Noting** that significant progress has been made toward nuclear disarmament with the establishment of nuclear-weapons Free Zones in various regions of the world, and the indefinite extension of the NPT and the signing by 44 states of the CTBT;

**Concerned** that the recent nuclear test in South Asia has shaken the political stability of the region and had presented a challenge to the fundamental objectives of the two treaties;

**Noting** that recent developments in creating nuclear-weapons-free zones and initiatives for coordination between state parties to these treaties is a clear manifestation of the opposition of states to nuclear weapons;

**Recognizing** the importance of the Conference on Disarmament as a multilateral negotiating body which could deal on the issue of the elimination of nuclear weapons and the banning of the nuclear tests;

**Resolves to:**

**Support** the current review of the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty and propose to consider the issue of total elimination of nuclear weapons as having the highest priority in the field of disarmament;

**Urge** nuclear weapons states (NWS) to commence negotiations on a phased programme for the total elimination of nuclear weapons within a specified framework of time and the promotion of international laws including but not limited to Nuclear Weapons Convention and other internationally binding instrument to provide complete assurance to all non-nuclear weapons states that they will not suffer from or become victims of the use or treat of the use of nuclear weapons;

**Support** effort of the UN to consolidate nuclear-weapons-free zone treaties for the purpose of creating a unified mechanisms which is enforceable against all members of the international community;

**Call** on member countries to urge participants in the Conference on Disarmament to include in negotiation efforts, issues for the elimination and destruction of nuclear weapons and the indefinite banning of nuclear tests.

Adopted this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of September, 1999 in Manila, Philippines.