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**General and complete disarmament: disarmament and non-proliferation education**

## Resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 7 December 2020

[*on the report of the First Committee (A/75/399, para. 96)*]

### 75/61. United Nations study on disarmament and non-proliferation education

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling its resolutions 55/33 E of 20 November 2000, 57/60 of 22 November 2002, 59/93 of 3 December 2004, 61/73 of 6 December 2006, 63/70 of 2 December 2008, 65/77 of 8 December 2010, 67/47 of 3 December 2012, 69/65 of 2 December 2014, 71/57 of 5 December 2016 and 73/59 of 5 December 2018,*

*Recalling also that 2020 marks the twentieth anniversary of resolution 55/33 E for the development of the study on disarmament and non-proliferation education,*

*Recalling further resolution 74/64 of 12 December 2019 on youth, disarmament and non-proliferation,*

*Welcoming the report of the Secretary-General on disarmament and non-proliferation education,<sup>1</sup> in which the Secretary-General reported on the implementation of the recommendations contained in the United Nations study on disarmament and non-proliferation education,<sup>2</sup> and further recalling that 2020 marks the eighteenth anniversary of that report,*

*Recognizing the usefulness of the disarmament and non-proliferation education website “Disarmament education: resources for learning”, which is updated on a regular basis by the Office for Disarmament Affairs of the Secretariat, including to provide information in all its sections, such as presentations, interviews in the *Disarmament Today* series of podcasts, which include the experiences of the hibakusha, the atomic bomb survivors, films and publications on disarmament issues, and encouraging the use of the advances in new information and communications*

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<sup>1</sup> A/75/127.

<sup>2</sup> A/57/124.



technologies and social media for the promotion of disarmament and non-proliferation education,

*Emphasizing* that efforts need to be continued to implement the recommendations of the study and follow the good examples of how they are being implemented to stimulate even further long-term results, including the assistance of Member States to academia and civil society in their important disarmament and non-proliferation pedagogical activities,

*Desirous* of stressing the urgency of promoting concerted international efforts at disarmament and non-proliferation, in particular in the field of nuclear disarmament and non-proliferation, with a view to strengthening international security, confidence-building, and enhancing sustainable development,

*Conscious* of the need to combat the negative effects of cultures of violence and complacency in the face of current dangers in this field through long-term programmes of education and training,

*Remaining convinced* that the need for disarmament and non-proliferation education and critical thinking skills, particularly among youth, has never been greater, not only on the subject of weapons of mass destruction but also in the field of small arms and light weapons, terrorism and other challenges to international security and the process of disarmament, as well as on the relevance of implementing the recommendations contained in the United Nations study,

*Recognizing* the importance of the participation of civil society, including academic and non-governmental organizations, which plays an active role in the promotion of disarmament and non-proliferation education, as well as in promoting the engagement of young people in the field of disarmament and non-proliferation,

1. *Expresses its appreciation* to the Member States, the United Nations and other international and regional organizations, civil society and academic and non-governmental organizations, which, within their purview, implemented the recommendations made in the United Nations study, as discussed in the report of the Secretary-General reviewing the implementation of the recommendations, and encourages them once again to continue to apply those recommendations and report to the Secretary-General on steps taken to implement them;

2. *Encourages* Member States, the United Nations, relevant specialized agencies and regional and subregional organizations to continue considering developing and implementing policies and educational programmes for young people to increase and facilitate their constructive engagement in the field of disarmament and non-proliferation;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to prepare a report reviewing the results of the implementation of the recommendations and possible new opportunities for promoting disarmament and non-proliferation education, and to submit it to the General Assembly at its seventy-seventh session;

4. *Expresses its appreciation* to the Secretary-General for his disarmament agenda, *Securing Our Common Future: An Agenda for Disarmament*, and notes the proposed actions therein to further advance disarmament and non-proliferation education, as well as those actions championed and supported by Member States;

5. *Reiterates* the request to the Secretary-General to utilize electronic means to the fullest extent possible in the dissemination, in as many official languages as feasible, of information related to his report and any other information that the Office for Disarmament Affairs gathers on an ongoing basis with regard to the implementation of the recommendations of the United Nations study;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to maintain and update the website “Disarmament education: resources for learning”, including the *Disarmament Today* series of podcasts, as an efficient and effective tool to promote disarmament and non-proliferation education;

7. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-seventh session, under the item entitled “General and complete disarmament”, the sub-item entitled “Disarmament and non-proliferation education”.

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