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Further measures to be taken for the implementation of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons

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The Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons is the cornerstone for nuclear non-proliferation and disarmament. "Principles and Objectives for Nuclear Non-Proliferation and Disarmament" adopted at the 1995 Review and Extension Conference is a major achievement in the efforts to realize the goal of the Treaty.

The States Parties to the Treaty reaffirm their commitments to the above-mentioned "Principles and Objectives" and stress that the following further measures should be taken for the implementation of the Treaty:

Nuclear non-proliferation and disarmament

1. The early entry into force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty and the moratorium on nuclear-weapon test explosions or any other nuclear explosions pending the entry into force of that Treaty.
2. The immediate commencement of negotiations on a non-discriminatory, multilateral and internationally and effectively verifiable treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other explosive devices, on the basis of the report of the Special Coordinator of the Conference on Disarmament in 1995 and the mandate contained therein and their conclusion preferably before 2003, but not later than 2005, and, pending the entry into force of the treaty, a moratorium on the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons.
3. The immediate entry into force and the full implementation of START II, the early commencement and completion of the negotiations on START III, and continuation of the process beyond START III.
4. Further efforts by the nuclear-weapon States to reduce their nuclear arsenals unilaterally, and the commencement of negotiations involving the nuclear-weapon States for the reduction of nuclear weapons at an appropriate stage.
5. Multilateral discussions in the Conference on Disarmament on possible future steps on nuclear disarmament and nuclear non-proliferation.

Nuclear-weapon-free zone

6. The early completion of the negotiations on a nuclear-weapon-free zone in Central Asia.

Safeguards

7. Universalization of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) Additional Protocol (INFCIRC/540 (corrected)) and early establishment of the "Integrated Safeguards" for strengthening the effectiveness and improving the efficiency of the safeguards system.

8. The disposition of fissile materials no longer required for defence purposes and placement of such materials and civil fissile materials under appropriate international safeguards with a view to ensuring the irreversibility of nuclear disarmament.
