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General and complete disarmament: establishment
of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in Central Asia

Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan:
revised draft resolution

Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in Central Asia

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 52/38 S of 9 December 1997, 53/77 A of 4 December
decisions 54/417 of 1 December 1999, 56/412 of 29 November 2001, 58/518 of
8 December 2003, 59/513 of 3 December 2004 and 60/516 of 8 December 2005,

Convinced that the establishment of nuclear-weapon-free zones contributes to
the achievement of general and complete disarmament, and emphasizing the
importance of internationally recognized treaties on the establishment of such zones
in different regions of the world in the strengthening of the non-proliferation
regime,

Considering that the establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in Central
Asia on the basis of arrangements freely arrived at among the States of the region1
constitutes an important step towards strengthening the nuclear non-proliferation
regime, promoting cooperation in the peaceful uses of nuclear energy and in the
environmental rehabilitation of territories affected by radioactive contamination,
and enhancing regional and international peace and security,

Considering also the establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in Central
Asia as an effective contribution to combating international terrorism and
preventing nuclear materials and technologies from falling into the hands of non-
State actors, primarily terrorists,

Reaffirming the universally recognized role of the United Nations in the
establishment of nuclear-weapon-free zones,

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1 Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan.
1. Welcomes the signing of the Treaty on a Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone in Central Asia in Semipalatinsk, Republic of Kazakhstan, on 8 September 2006;

2. Notes the readiness of the Central Asian countries to continue consultations with the nuclear-weapon States on a number of provisions of the Treaty on a Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone in Central Asia;

3. Decides to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-third session the item entitled “Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in Central Asia.”