Resolution L. 47/Rev1 on Compliance with non-proliferation, arms limitation and disarmament agreements and commitments

India has voted in favour of the resolution since it believes in the responsibility of states to fully comply with their obligations, as undertaken in various disarmament, non-proliferation and arms limitation agreements, to which they are parties. Commitments of states also arise from obligations that states have undertaken voluntarily and in exercise of their sovereignty.

We believe that States in encouraging compliance by other states with the disarmament, non-proliferation and arms limitation agreements to which they are parties, or in pursuing appropriate areas of cooperation to increase confidence in compliance, shall act in accordance with the compliance mechanisms and other provisions in the relevant agreements and in a manner consistent with the UN Charter and international law. Similarly, they shall also resolve any issues related to compliance by a State of its obligations in respect of disarmament, non-proliferation and arms limitation agreements to which it is a party, in accordance with the compliance mechanisms provided in the relevant agreements and in a manner consistent with the UN Charter and international law. We would also like to emphasise the importance of multilateralism in addressing issues that may arise in relation to non-proliferation, arms limitation and disarmament agreements and commitments.

Further, it is also our understanding that ‘other agreed obligations’ imply only those obligations that have been undertaken by States voluntarily and in exercise of their sovereignty.

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