

First Committee Resolutions: EOVs made by India

Resolution L.23: “Treaty on Southeast Asia Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone(Bangkok Treaty)

My delegation has taken the floor to explain its vote on Resolution contained in document L.23 “Treaty on Southeast Asia Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone” India has voted in favour of the draft resolution.

India respects the sovereign choice of non-nuclear weapon states to establish NWFZs on the basis of arrangements freely arrived at among the States of the region concerned. This principle is consistent with the provisions of SSOD I and the 1999 UNDC guidelines.

India enjoys friendly and productive relations with all countries of the South East Asian region. India shares and supports their aspiration for enhancing the region’s well-being and security. We respect the sovereign choice of States Parties to the Bangkok Treaty. As a nuclear weapon state, India has conveyed an unambiguous assurance that it will respect the status of the South-East Asia Nuclear Weapon Free Zone.