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Review and implementation of the Concluding Document of
the Twelfth Special Session of the General Assembly:
United Nations Regional Centre for Peace, Disarmament and
Development in Latin America and the Caribbean

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United Nations Regional Centre for Peace, Disarmament and
Development in Latin America and the Caribbean

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 41/60 J of 3 December 1986, 42/39 K of
30 November 1987 and 43/76 H of 7 December 1988 on the United Nations
Regional Centre for Peace, Disarmament and Development in Latin America and the
Caribbean, with headquarters in Lima,

Recalling also its resolution 71/77 of 5 December 2016, as well as all previous
resolutions on the Regional Centre,

 Recognizing that the Regional Centre has continued to provide substantive
support for the implementation of regional and subregional initiatives and has
intensified its contribution to the coordination of United Nations efforts towards
peace and disarmament and for the promotion of economic and social development,
and emphasizing the role of the Centre in providing support for the realization of
the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development,\(^1\)

Reaffirming the mandate of the Regional Centre to provide, on request,
substantive support for the initiatives and other activities of the Member States of
the region for the implementation of measures for peace and disarmament and for
the promotion of economic and social development,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General,\(^2\) and expressing its
appreciation for the important assistance provided, upon request, by the Regional
Centre to several countries in the region, including through capacity-building and

\(^*\) On behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of Latin
American and Caribbean States.

\(^1\) Resolution 70/1.

\(^2\) A/72/99.
technical assistance activities for the implementation of disarmament,
non-proliferation and arms control instruments,

Welcoming the support provided by the Regional Centre to Member States in
the implementation of disarmament and non-proliferation instruments,

Emphasizing the need for the Regional Centre to develop and strengthen its
activities and programmes in a comprehensive and balanced manner, in accordance
with its mandate and in line with the requests for assistance by Member States,

Welcoming the ongoing support provided by the Regional Centre to Member
States in the implementation of the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and
Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects,

Welcoming also the assistance provided by the Regional Centre to some States,
upon request, in the management and securing of national weapons stockpiles and in
the identification and destruction of surplus, obsolete or seized weapons and
ammunition, as declared by competent national authorities, in particular the
establishment of a regional training centre in Port of Spain to manage weapons
stockpiles,

Welcoming further the technical advisory assistance provided by the Regional
Centre to the United Nations Mission in Colombia,

Welcoming the initiative of the Regional Centre to continue to conduct activities
in line with efforts to promote the equitable representation of women in all decision-
making processes with regard to matters related to disarmament, non-proliferation
and arms control, as encouraged in its resolutions 65/69 of 8 December 2010 and
subsequent resolutions, including resolution 71/56 of 5 December 2016,

Recalling the report of the Group of Governmental Experts on the relationship
between disarmament and development, referred to in General Assembly resolution
59/78 of 3 December 2004, which is of utmost interest with regard to the role that
the Regional Centre plays in promoting the issue in the region in pursuit of its
mandate to promote economic and social development related to peace and
dismament,

Noting that security, disarmament and development issues have always been
recognized as significant topics in Latin America and the Caribbean, the first
inhabited region in the world to be declared a nuclear-weapon-free zone,

Recognizing the cooperation between the Regional Centre and the Agency for
the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean on
strengthening the nuclear-weapon-free zone established by the Treaty for the
Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean (Treaty of
Tlatelolco), as well as its efforts in promoting peace and disarmament education,

Bearing in mind the important role of the Regional Centre in promoting
confidence-building measures, arms control and limitation, disarmament and
development at the regional level,

Recognizing the importance of information, research, education and training
for peace, disarmament and development in order to achieve understanding and
cooperation among States,
Recalling the thirtieth anniversary, in 2016, of the United Nations regional centres for peace and disarmament,

1. Reiterates its strong support for the role of the United Nations Regional Centre for Peace, Disarmament and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean in the promotion of activities of the United Nations at the regional and subregional levels to strengthen peace, disarmament, stability, security and development among its Member States;

2. Welcomes the activities carried out in the past year by the Regional Centre, and requests the Centre to continue to take into account the proposals to be submitted by the countries of the region for the implementation of the mandate of the Centre in the areas of peace, disarmament and development and for the promotion of, inter alia, nuclear disarmament, the prevention, combating and eradication of the illicit trade in small arms and light weapons, ammunition and explosives, the non-proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, confidence-building measures, arms control and limitation, transparency, and the reduction and prevention of armed violence at the regional and subregional levels;

3. Expresses its appreciation for the political support provided by Member States, as well as for the financial contributions made by Member States and international governmental and non-governmental organizations to strengthen the Regional Centre, its programme of activities and the implementation thereof, and encourages them to continue to make and to increase voluntary contributions;

4. Invites all States of the region to continue to take part in the activities of the Regional Centre, proposing items for inclusion in its programme of activities and maximizing the potential of the Centre to meet the current challenges facing the international community with a view to fulfilling the aims of the Charter of the United Nations in the areas of peace, disarmament and development;

5. Recognizes that the Regional Centre has an important role in the promotion and development of regional and subregional initiatives agreed upon by the countries of Latin America and the Caribbean in the field of weapons of mass destruction, in particular nuclear weapons, and conventional arms, including small arms and light weapons, in the relationship between disarmament and development, including the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals, in the promotion of the participation of women in this field and in strengthening voluntary confidence-building measures among the countries of the region;

6. Encourages the Regional Centre to further develop activities in all countries of the region in the important areas of peace, disarmament and development and to provide, upon request and in accordance with its mandate, support to Member States of the region in the national implementation of relevant instruments, inter alia, the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects and the Arms Trade Treaty, as well as in the implementation of the Caribbean 1540 programme on the non-proliferation of weapons of mass destruction;

7. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its seventy-third session on the implementation of the present resolution;

8. Decides to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-third session, under the item entitled “Review and implementation of the Concluding Document of the Twelfth Special Session of the General Assembly”, the sub-item entitled “United Nations Regional Centre for Peace, Disarmament and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean”.