

**L.57 – Follow-up to the advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice on the Legality of the Threat or Use of Nuclear Weapons**

India has been the only state possessing nuclear weapons to traditionally co-sponsor this resolution. We are disappointed that substantive changes were made to the traditional text of the resolution last year. In particular, we are disappointed that references to the early conclusion of a nuclear weapons convention, based on the Model Nuclear Weapons Convention co-submitted by the lead sponsors themselves, have been dropped. Further, the objective of this resolution, as reflected in OP 2, is ambiguous. Therefore, my delegation has been constrained to withdraw its co-sponsorship and abstain on the resolution.