Ensuring The Prevention Of A Nuclear Arms Race Through Disarmament And Non-Proliferation

General Assembly 1

Issue Description:

This issue is all about taking measures to prevent a nuclear arm race. Delegations should be focusing on the disarmament of nuclear weapons, along with the development and manufacturing of these weapons.

Why has this issue not been resolved?

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Important stances on the issue

While all P5 nations (and some of the other involved nations) have signed agreements to limit the expansion of nuclear arms, independent watchdogs report that these nations keep expanding and modernizing their nuclear arms excessively.

What organizations are currently involved (or have been involved) and what have they achieved?

Currently, there are five major nuclear-weapons-free zones (NWFS), which are organized by the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA). This means that in these zones, no nuclear weapons may be developed, manufactured, possessed, tested or deployed. Remarkably, none of these zones are in North America or Europe. Also, a Treaty on the Non-proliferation of nuclear weapons was established by the UN in 1970, under the responsibility of IAEA, which has since been joined by 191 nations.

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Good luck with your research reports delegates!

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