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COMMUNICATION OF 8 SEPTEMBER 1995 RECEIVED FROM THE PERMANENT MISSION OF INDONESIA TO THE INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY

1. On 8 September 1995, the Director General received a communication dated also 8 September 1995 from the Permanent Mission of Indonesia transmitting, in agreement with other Permanent Missions member states of ASEAN in Vienna, excerpts from the "Joint Communiqué of the Twenty-Eighth ASEAN Ministerial Meeting" and the "Statement of the Chairman of the Second ASEAN Regional Forum".

2. As requested by the Permanent Mission of Indonesia, the texts of the excerpts are being circulated as an official document for the forthcoming regular session of the General Conference.

EXCERPT FROM THE JOINT COMMUNIQUE OF THE TWENTY-EIGHTH ASEAN MINISTERIAL MEETING, BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN, 29-30 JULY 1995

14. The Foreign Ministers emphasised the importance of the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT) in promoting international peace and security. Bearing in mind the objectives of general and complete disarmament, the Foreign Ministers noted the outcome of the recent 1995 Review and Extension Conference of the Parties to the NPT and attached particular importance to the establishment of internationally recognised nuclear-weapon-free zones by the year 2000. In this regard, the Foreign Ministers deplored the resumption or planned resumption of nuclear tests in the Asia Pacific in view of the commitment of all State Parties to the NPT to exert utmost restraint on nuclear weapons testing and to conclude the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty in 1996. They also called on all nuclear weapons states to desist from testing nuclear devices.

EXCERPT FROM THE STATEMENT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SECOND ASEAN REGIONAL FORUM (ARF) 1 AUGUST 1995 BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN

...emphasised the importance of non-proliferation of nuclear weapons in promoting regional peace and stability. They welcomed the commitment by all parties to the Non-Proliferation Treaty to conclude a Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty by 1996. Those countries who plan to conduct further nuclear tests were called upon by all other ARF member states to bring immediate end to such testing. They also endorsed the nuclear-weapon free zones, such as the South Pacific Nuclear Free Zone, in strengthening the international non-proliferation regime and expressed the hope that all nuclear weapon states would in the very near future adhere to the relevant Protocols. They noted with satisfaction the progress made towards the establishment of the South East Asia Nuclear Weapon Free Zone and encouraged further consultations on this issue with those states that would be significantly affected by the establishment of the zone...
