L.43 Myanmar: Nuclear Disarmament.

Explanation of vote by Ms. Gayatri Issar Kumar, Counsellor October 23, 2002

Mr. Chairman,

India has a long standing and unwavering commitment to Nuclear Disarmament and the global elimination of nuclear weapons. We have, in fact, till 2000, supported the resolution . However, since last year , the resolution has not only diluted a number of traditional , long held NAM and G-21 positions on nuclear disarmament, which India fully supports , but also includes elements on the NPT on which India's stand is well known. Therefore, we are unable to support the Operative paragraphs 9 and 10 which refer to the Final Document of the 2000 NPT Review Conference - which is, in our view, not a balanced document, and abstain on voting on the resolution as a whole

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