

## **RESOLUTION**

### **Resolution No. 4/2000**

#### **ARMS CONTROL AND DISARMAMENT LAW**

The 69<sup>th</sup> Conference of the International Law Association, held in London, United Kingdom, 25<sup>th</sup> –29<sup>th</sup> July 2000:

**WELCOMES** the extensive work programme accomplished by the Committee on Arms Control and Disarmament Law within its mandate which significantly contributed to increased common understanding of a new area of international law and to the development of consensus positions on relevant issues of both practical and academic relevance;

**NOTES** the Fifth Report of the Committee, dealing with National and International Verification Measures, as a significant contribution to further promoting methods of implementation of arms control and disarmament agreements and supporting activities to enhance the level of compliance;

**ENDORSES** the proposals made in this Report:

to improve co-operation between States and arms control organisations;

to develop the relationship between those organisations and the United Nations;

and to use fully the authority of the Security Council in the field of peaceful settlement of disputes and the regulation of armament and disarmament;

**REAFFIRMS** the importance of co-operative verification measures for effective control and confidence-building;

**UNDERLINES** the importance of the early entry into force of the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty, considering in particular its provisions on an international monitoring system, consultation and clarification, on-site inspection, confidence-building, and the obligations of nuclear-weapon States under Article VI of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons;

**FURTHER UNDERLINES** the importance of the continued application and validity of the Anti Ballistic Missile treaty and expresses the view that any fundamental change in this respect would have multilateral implications;

**CONFIRMS** the significance of arms control and disarmament law for the development of peace and security as well as of economic, social, cultural and humanitarian values including the protection and preservation of the environment;

**AND REQUESTS** the Committee to continue with its work programme, taking into account the comments made at the Conference, and to report to the 70<sup>th</sup> Conference in New Delhi.