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**ABSTRACT**

The Conference on Disarmament held in April and May 2000 held a meeting to adopt a final document. In this final document, some measures for future nuclear disarmament were listed. In this paper, I will examine what the final document means in detail and analyse what the real effect of each measure will be.

**INTRODUCTION**

The Conference on Disarmament held a meeting to adopt a final document on May 3, 2000. This final document is one of the most important documents in the history of nuclear disarmament. However, the content of the document is not very concrete, and the document was adopted only after a long and tough struggle. Therefore, it will take time to find out the real meaning of this document.

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**3) Final elimination of nuclear weapons under strict and effective international control**

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**4) Reduction of the Operational Status of Nuclear Weapons System**

The Conference agreed on “the reduction of the operational status of nuclear weapons systems”.

**5) Cut-Off Treaty Negotiation**

The Conference agreed on “the conclusion of a cut-off treaty on the production of fissile materials”.

**6) Resolution of Other Nuclear-Weapon States**

The Conference agreed on “the resolution of other nuclear-weapons States”.

**BILATERAL STEPS**

**1) Unilateral Reductions**

The Conference agreed on “the early entry into force and full implementation of START II, and the conclusion of START III as soon as possible while preserving and strengthening the ABM Treaty as a cornerstone of strategic stability and as a basis for further reduction of strategic offensive weapons, in accordance with their provisions”.

**2) Early Entry into Force of the CTBT**

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