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Security Council: What measures can the UN take to prevent an international crisis caused by nuclear weapons while guaranteeing state integrity of each and every state?

Dear delegates of the Security Council,

with great concern do we see further escalations of conflicts, however, not all of them shall be relevant for us this meeting. Countries with shared borders fight or are at least in dispute about where a region might belong or countries that have been enemies for years come closer to war with each day that passes.

I do hope that the countries that came to your mind were the U.S.A. and DPRK, or India and Pakistan, or Israel and Iran, or the countries of the South China Sea conflict. Whether or not they did, it doesn't negate the fact that all those conflicts are very dangerous. We will all agree that nuclear weapons are the greatest threat when it comes to human mass extinction and this is why especially the named conflicts pose a very high and very real danger. Not only will nuclear weapons have a direct impact on the area of detonation with blast and fallout but also can dust blown up into the atmosphere block sunlight which could lead into another ice age.

Conflicts like such must be resolved in a peaceful way however countries often do not want to cooperate and are unwilling to give up their lands or at least what they proclaim to be their lands. So, what to do when a situation looks like it's escalating? How should the UN act? Article 1 paragraph 2 of our Chart states that the UN was founded to develop friendly relations as equal partners and strengthen universal peace. Article 2 paragraph 1 emphasizes the sovereign equality of all member states so now in the Security Council, the arguably most powerful organ of the United Nations, as equal sovereign partners we need to find a peaceful solution.

We shall see the great ideas brought to our attention by each and every of you and we shall find the best way, our way to ensure human extinction will, if it does ever, not happen because of our stubbornness, selfishness or ignorance.

Thank you, I am very much looking forward to working with you.

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