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La Santa Sede ha ratificato il Trattato sull'Interdizione Globale degli Esperimenti Nucleari, adottato dall'Assemblea Generale dell'ONU il 10 settembre 1996 e firmato dalla Santa Sede il 24 settembre 1996.

S.E. Mons. Renato R. Martino, Nunzio Apostolico, Osservatore Permanente della Santa Sede a New York, il 18 luglio scorso, ha depositato lo strumento di ratifica presso il Segretariato delle Nazioni Unite, con la seguente Dichiarazione:

**• DICHIARAZIONE DELL'OSSERVATORE PERMANENTE DELLA SANTA SEDE PRESSO L'ONU, S.E.
MONS. RENATO R. MARTINO**

The Holy See, in ratifying the Comprehensive Nuclear Test Ban Treaty (CTBT), adopted by the United Nations General Assembly on 10 September 1996 and signed by the Holy See on 24 September of the same year, wishes to repeat what was said when it added its signature: «The Holy See is convinced that in the sphere of nuclear weapons, the banning of tests and of the further development of these weapons, disarmament and non-proliferation are closely linked and must be achieved as quickly as possible under effective international controls».

In conformity with the nature and particular condition of Vatican City State, the Holy See, by this ratification, seeks to advance the genuine promotion of a culture of peace based upon the primacy of law and of respect for human life. At the beginning of the third millennium, the implementation of a system of comprehensive and complete disarmament, capable of fostering a climate of trust, cooperation and respect between all States, represents an indispensable aspect of the concrete realization of a culture of life and peace.

In lending moral support to the CTBT through this solemn act of ratification, the Holy See encourages the whole International Community, which is aware of the various challenges standing in the way of nuclear disarmament, to intensify its efforts to ensure the implementation of the said Treaty.

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