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The General Assembly of the United Nations
requests an advisory opinion on the legality
of the threat or use of nuclear weapons

On 15 December 1994, the General Assembly of the United Nations adopted resolution 49/75 K, entitled "Request for an Advisory Opinion from the International Court of Justice on the Legality of the Threat or Use of Nuclear Weapons".

In this resolution, the General Assembly decided, pursuant to Article 96, paragraph 1, of the Charter of the United Nations, to request the Court

"urgently to render its advisory opinion on the following question: 'Is the threat or use of nuclear weapons in any circumstance permitted under international law?'."

The request was transmitted to the Court by the Secretary-General of the United Nations in a letter dated 19 December 1994.
