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## ISRAELI NUCLEAR ARMAMENT

## Report of the Secretary-General

- 1. At its thirty-fourth session, the General Assembly adopted resolution 34/89 of 11 December 1979 in which, inter alia, it requested the Secretary-General, with the assistance of qualified experts, to prepare a study on Israeli nuclear armament and to report to the Assembly at its thirty-sixth session; further requested the Secretary-General to submit a progress report on the work of the group of experts to the Assembly at its thirty-fifth session; and decided to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-fifth session the item entitled Israeli nuclear armament.
- 2. Pursuant to the resolution, the Secretary-General has appointed the following five qualified experts to assist him in the preparation of the study:
  Mr. Ashok Kapur, Associate Professor of Political Science, University of Waterloo (Canada); Mr. N. A. Khroustalev, Deputy Director of the Centre for the Analysis of International Relations, Moscow State Institute of International Relations (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics); Mr. Ali A. Mazrui, Professor of Political Science and Director of the Centre for Afro-American and African Studies, University of Michigan (United States of America); Mr. George Quester, Chairman of the Government Department, Cornell University (United States of America); and Mr. Assaad Saab, Lebanon, nuclear physicist.
- 3. The group of experts held its first session from 21 July to 1 August 1980 at United Nations Headquarters in New York. During that session the experts discussed the organization of the study, the structure of the report to be made thereon and the principal elements to be incorporated in the report.
- 4. They have agreed to prepare for their second session draft texts for inclusion in the various chapters of the study.
- 5. The group of experts will next meet at United Nations Headquarters in New York, from 19 to 30 January 1981. They have also tentatively agreed to meet twice more, in May and August 1981, to continue the study and assist in the preparation of a final report for submission to the General Assembly at its thirty-sixth session.

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