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DECISIONS ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT ITS TENTH
SPECIAL SESSION; UNITED NATIONS DISARMAMENT STUDIES

Cameroon, France, German Democratic Republic, Germany, Federal
Republic of, Italy, Japan, Norway, Poland, Romania, Union of
Soviet Socialist Republics and United Kingdom of Great Britain
and Northern Ireland; draft resolution

United Nations disarmament studies

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 40/152 K of 16 December 1985 and 41/86 C of
4 December 1986,

Reaffirming the valuable contribution that United Nations studies can make to
the discussion and consideration of disarmament issues,

Noting with appreciation the views of Member States contained in the report of
the Secretary-General, 1/

Taking into consideration that the Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies also
functioned as the Board of Trustees of the United Nations Institute for Disarmament
Research,

Noting that the establishment of the United Nations Institute for Disarmament
Research offers new opportunities regarding research in the field of disarmament,

1/ A/42/363 and Add.1.

Bearing in mind that the final decision on United Nations disarmament studies rests with the General Assembly,

1. Expresses its appreciation for the report of the Advisory Board on Disarmament studies; 2/

2. Accepts the conclusion of the Advisory Board that consensus should be the normal practice in the drafting of studies, but that this should not preclude the expression of varying opinions and that some subjects can be dealt with only by the presentation of differing approaches;

3. Supports the recommendations of the Advisory Board that:

(a) It would be highly desirable for Member States to present proposals for disarmament studies or research to the Secretary-General, by 1 September annually;

(b) The Advisory Board should recommend whether a study should be carried out by a group of experts appointed by the Secretary-General, or as part of the ongoing work programme of the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research, or as an additional task of the Institute requiring an allocation of funds by the General Assembly;

4. Notes the opinion of the Advisory Board that the careful selection of subjects for study and the matter of costs are of special importance;

5. Requests the Secretary-General to draw the provisions of paragraphs 1 to 4 above to the attention of Member States;

6. Requests the Secretary-General to draw the present resolution to the attention of the General Assembly at its third special session devoted to disarmament, as well as to the next session of the Disarmament Commission, under the appropriate items.
