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Item 56 of the provisional agenda*CONVENTION ON PROHIBITIONS OR RESTRICTIONS ON THE USE OF CERTAIN
CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS WHICH MAY BE DEEMED TO BE EXCESSIVELY
INJURIOUS OR TO HAVE INDISCRIMINATE EFFECTSReport of the Secretary-General

1. By resolution 42/30 of 30 November 1987, the General Assembly, having recalled with satisfaction the adoption, on 10 October 1980, of the Convention on Prohibition or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects, together with the Protocol on Non-Detectable Fragments (Protocol I), the Protocol on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Mines, Booby Trap and Other Devices (Protocol II) and the Protocol on Prohibition or Restrictions on the Use of Incendiary Weapons (Protocol III); 1/ having reaffirmed its conviction that general agreement on the prohibition or restriction of use of specific conventional weapons would significantly reduce the suffering of civilian populations and of combatants and having taken note with satisfaction of the report of the Secretary-General submitted to the General Assembly at its forty-second session (A/42/580); noted with satisfaction that, consequent upon the fulfilment of the conditions set out in article 5 of the Convention, the Convention and the three Protocols annexed thereto had entered into force on 2 December 1983; urged all States that have not yet done so to exert their best endeavours to become parties to the Convention and the Protocol annexed thereto as early as possible, so as ultimately to obtain universality of adherence; noted that, under article 8 of the Convention, Conferences may be convened to consider amendments to the Convention or any of the annexed Protocols; and requested the Secretary-General as depositary of the Convention and its three annexed Protocols to inform the General Assembly from time to time of the state of adherence to the said Convention and its Protocols,

* A/43/150.

a, Pursuant to the above request of the General Assembly, the actions with respect to the Convention and three Protocols for the period under review, namely from 1 September 1987 to 31 August 1988, are indicated in the annex to the present report.

3. The Convention was signed by 53 countries and, as at 31 August 1988, 24 countries had ratified it, 2 had accepted it and 3 had acceded to it. Instruments for those actions were accompanied by acceptances of the Protocol annexed to the Convention.

Notes

1/ A/CONF.95/15 and Corr.2, annex. For the printed text of the Convention and its Protocols, see United Nations Disarmament Yearbook, vol. 8: 1980 (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.81.IX.4), appendix VII,

ANNEX

Actions in respect of the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions
on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be
Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects and its three
Protocols during the period from 1 September 1987 to 31 August 1988

Acceptance pursuant to article 4
paragraphs 3 and 4
Protocols

<u>State</u>	<u>Ratification</u>	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>
France	4 March 1988	x	X	-
