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GENERAL AND COMPLETE DISARMAMENT: PROHIBITION OF THE PRODUCTION
OF FISSIONABLE MATERIAL FOR WEAPONS PURPOSES

Australia, Austria, Bahamas, Bangladesh, Botswana, Byelorussian
Soviet Socialist Republic, Cameroon, Canada, Denmark, Finland,
Greece, Indonesia, Ireland, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand,
Norway, Philippines, Romania, Samoa, Sweden, Union of Soviet
Socialist Republics and Uruguay: draft resolution

Prohibition of the production of fissionable material
for weapons purposes

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 33/91 H of 16 December 1978, 34/87 D of 11 December 1979, 35/156 H of 12 December 1980, 36/97 G of 9 December 1981, 37/99 E of 13 December 1982, 38/188 E of 20 December 1983, 39/151 H of 17 December 1984, 40/94 G of 12 December 1985, 41/59 L of 3 December 1986, 42/38 L of 30 November 1987, 43/75 K of 7 December 1988 and 44/116 H of 15 December 1989, in which it requested the Conference on Disarmament, at an appropriate stage of the implementation of the Programme of Action set forth in section III of the Final Document of the Tenth Special Session of the General Assembly, 1/ the first special session devoted to disarmament, and of its work on the item entitled "Nuclear weapons in all aspects", to consider urgently the question of adequately verified cessation and prohibition of the production of fissionable material for nuclear weapons and other nuclear explosive devices and to keep the Assembly informed of the progress of that consideration,

1/ Resolution S-10/2.

Noting that the agenda of the Conference on Disarmament for 1990 included the item entitled "Nuclear weapons in all aspects" and that the programme of work of the Conference for both parts of its 1990 session contained the item entitled "Cessation of the nuclear-arms race and nuclear disarmament", 2/

Recalling the proposals and statements made in the Conference on Disarmament on those items, 3/

Considering that the cessation of production of fissionable material for weapons purposes and the progressive conversion and transfer of stocks to peaceful uses would be a significant step towards halting and reversing the nuclear-arms race,

Considering also that the prohibition of the production of fissionable material for nuclear weapons and other explosive devices would be an important measure in facilitating the prevention of the proliferation of nuclear weapons and explosive devices,

Requests the Conference on Disarmament, at an appropriate stage of its work on the item entitled "Nuclear weapons in all aspects", to pursue its consideration of the question of adequately verified cessation and prohibition of the production of fissionable material for nuclear weapons and other nuclear explosive devices and to keep the General Assembly informed of the progress of that consideration.

2/ See Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 27 (A/45/27), paras. 6 and 8.

3/ Ibid., sect. III A and B.