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REVIEW OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS
AND DECISIONS ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT ITS
TENTH SPECIAL SESSION

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON DISARMAMENT

Algeria, Argentina, Brazil, Burma, Cuba, Egypt, Ethiopia, Ghana,
India, Indonesia, Iran, Mexico, Morocco, Nigeria, Pakistan, Peru,
Romania, Sri Lanka, Sweden, Venezuela, Yugoslavia and Zaire:
draft resolution

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 34/83 B of 11 December 1979 and 35/152 J of
12 December 1980,

Having considered the report of the Committee on Disarmament, 1/

Affirming that the establishment of ad hoc working groups offers the best
available machinery for the conduct of multilateral negotiations on items on the
agenda of the Committee on Disarmament and contributes to the strengthening of the
negotiating role of the Committee on Disarmament,

Regretting that despite the expressed wish of the great majority of members
of the Committee on Disarmament the establishment of ad hoc working groups to
undertake multilateral negotiations on nuclear disarmament and on prohibition of
all nuclear-weapon tests was prevented during the 1981 session of the Committee,

Expressing its deep concern that the Committee on Disarmament has not thus far
been able to achieve concrete results on disarmament issues which have been under
consideration for a number of years,

1/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-sixth Session, Supplement
No. 27 (A/36/27).

Convinced that the Committee on Disarmament, as the single multilateral negotiating body on disarmament, should play the central role in substantive negotiations on priority questions of disarmament and on the implementation of the Programme of Action set forth in section III of the Final Document of the first special session of the General Assembly devoted to disarmament,

Stressing that negotiations on specific disarmament issues conducted outside the Committee on Disarmament should in no way serve as a pretext for preventing the conduct of multilateral negotiations on such questions in the Committee,

1. Urges the Committee on Disarmament to continue or undertake, during its 1982 session, substantive negotiations on the priority questions of disarmament on its agenda, in accordance with the provisions of the Final Document of the first special session of the General Assembly devoted to disarmament and the other relevant resolutions of the Assembly on those questions and, in order to reach that goal, to provide the existing ad hoc working groups with appropriate negotiating mandates and to establish, as a matter of urgency, ad hoc working groups on the cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament and on the prohibition of all nuclear-weapon tests;

2. Requests the Committee on Disarmament to complete, during the first part of its session in 1982, the elaboration of a comprehensive programme of disarmament and to submit this programme in time for consideration and adoption by the General Assembly at the second special session devoted to disarmament, to be held between 7 June and 9 July 1982;

3. Also requests the Committee on Disarmament to intensify its negotiations on priority questions of disarmament, so that it may be in a position to contribute through concrete accomplishments, to the success of the second special session of the General Assembly devoted to disarmament;

4. Invites the members of the Committee on Disarmament involved in separate negotiations on specific priority questions of disarmament to intensify their efforts to achieve a positive conclusion of those negotiations without further delay for submission to the Committee and, at the same time, to submit to the Committee a full report on their separate negotiations and the results achieved in order to contribute most directly to the negotiations in the Committee in accordance with paragraph 1 above;

5. Further requests the Committee on Disarmament to submit to the General Assembly at its second special session devoted to disarmament a special report on the state of negotiations on various questions under consideration by the Committee as well as a report on its work to the General Assembly at its thirty-seventh session;

6. Decides to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-seventh session the item entitled "Report of the Committee on Disarmament".