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REGULATION, LIMITATION AND BALANCED REDUCTION OF ALL ARMED FORCES
AND ALL ARMAMENTS; CONCLUSION OF AN INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION (TREATY)
ON THE REDUCTION OF ARMAMENTS AND THE PROHIBITION OF ATOMIC, HYDROGEN
AND OTHER WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION

(a) REPORT OF THE DISARMAMENT COMMISSION

India: revised draft resolution

The General Assembly,

Having regard to the great and growing volume of world-wide apprehension and alarm about the effects of tests of nuclear and thermonuclear weapons and their continuance,

Having regard also to the views held about the long and lasting life and the highly dangerous potentialities of substances released by these test explosions and their effects on present and future generations of humanity and on all forms of life the world over,

Gravely concerned about the recent increase in the number of States undertaking tests of thermonuclear weapons, the possibility of further increases in the number of such States, and the consequential accentuation of the dangers and difficulties in relation to the problem,

Believing that the suspension of test explosions would, in some measure, open the way to the lowering of world tensions, and facilitate progress towards further agreements,

Considering that such suspension should be achieved without delay and that this is possible,

1. Requests the States concerned, in view of the doubts expressed about the detectability of explosions and the need to dispel those doubts and also to

* Rev.3 concerned only the Russian Text.

provide against possible evasions, to agree forthwith to the nomination of a scientific-technical Commission consisting of scientific-technical experts representing the differing views together with other eminent scientific-technical participation to be agreed upon by the aforementioned representatives;

2. Requests the aforementioned Commission to recommend to the Disarmament Commission an adequate system of inspection arrangements in all the necessary territories of the world in order to supervise and render suspension of tests effective, and to maintain the controls, which will inspire the necessary confidence;

3. Appeals to the States concerned to agree without delay to suspend tests of nuclear and thermonuclear weapons and to inform the Secretary-General of their willingness to do so;

4. Requests the Secretary-General as and when he receives responses from the States concerned to inform all other Member States;

5. Calls upon all Member States to report to the scientific Commission whenever evidence of nuclear and thermonuclear explosions in any part of the world on land, air or sea comes to their notice, and to give the Commission all other possible co-operation;

6. Requests the Secretary-General to provide the necessary secretarial and other assistance required for the aforementioned scientific Commission.
