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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: draft resolution*

The General Assembly,

Noting the great and growing volume of world opinion expressing apprehension and alarm about the continuance of tests of nuclear and thermonuclear weapons, more particularly since 1954,

Noting the long and lasting life and highly dangerous potentialities of substances released by such explosions and their inescapable effects on present and future generations of humanity and on all forms of life all over the world,

Taking into account the recent increase in the number of States undertaking such tests of nuclear and thermonuclear weapons and the possibility of further increase and the consequential complexities and difficulties,

Considering that the suspension of the test explosions would, to some extent at least, open the way for lowering of world tensions and also, as an initial step in disarmament itself, would facilitate progress towards reaching agreement on disarmament,

1. Calls upon Member States in the interests of humanity, present as well as future generations, unconditionally and immediately to suspend all tests of nuclear and thermonuclear weapons;

* This draft resolution was presented by letter dated 21 September 1957 from the Permanent Representative of India.

2. Calls upon all Member States immediately to report to the Secretary-General of the United Nations, and to continue to do so, on any evidence of nuclear and thermonuclear explosions in any part of the world on land, air or sea which may come to their notice.
