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COMMITTEE OF TWELVE

(ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 496(V))

REGULATION AND REDUCTION OF ARMAMENTS

United States of America: draft resolution

The Committee of Twelve,

Recalling that the General Assembly in its Resolution 496(V), adopted 13 December 1950, established the Committee of Twelve to consider and report to the next regular session of the General Assembly on ways and means whereby the work of the Atomic Energy Commission and the Commission for Conventional Armaments may be co-ordinated and on the advisability of their functions being merged and placed under a new and consolidated disarmament commission,

Recognising that comprehensive and co-ordinated plans for the international control of all armaments and armed forces, including atomic energy, should be developed by the United Nations,

Believing that such comprehensive and co-ordinated plans of control should make possible with appropriate safeguards the regulation, limitation and balanced reduction of all armaments and armed forces, including internal security and police forces, and the effective international control of atomic energy to ensure its use for peaceful purposes only,

Recalling that a plan has been developed in the United Nations Atomic Energy Commission, and approved by the General Assembly, for the international control of atomic energy, which would make effective the prohibition of atomic weapons, and that much useful planning work has been accomplished in the Commission for Conventional Armaments,

Finding that the appropriate time has now arrived for bringing the respective efforts of the two Commissions into closer co-ordination through the establishment of a single commission,

Recommendations to the General Assembly

1. That a new commission, to be known as the Commission for the Control of Armaments and Armed Forces, should be established under and report to the Security Council, in order to carry forward the tasks presently assigned to the Atomic Energy Commission and the Commission for Conventional Armaments;

2. That the Atomic Energy Commission and the Commission for Conventional Armaments should be dissolved by appropriate action upon the establishment of the new Commission.
