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ALLOCATION OF AGENDA ITEMS TO THE FIRST COMMITTEE

Letter dated 23 September 1988 from the President of the General Assembly addressed to the Chairman of the First Committee

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith the decisions taken by the General Assembly at the 3rd plenary meeting of the forty-third session pertaining to allocation of items to the First Committee.

May I also invite your attention to the recommendations on the organization of the session, contained in section II of the report of the General Committee (A/43/250), which were approved by the General Assembly also at its 3rd plenary meeting. I earnestly request your co-operation in this regard.

(Signed) Dante CAPUTO

ALLOCATION OF ITEMS TO THE FIRST COMMITTEE

1. Implementation of General Assembly resolution 42/25 concerning the signature and ratification of Additional Protocol I of the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America (Treaty of Tlatelolco) (item 51).
2. Cessation of all nuclear-test explosions (item 52).
3. Urgent need for a comprehensive nuclear-test-ban treaty (item 53).
4. Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the Middle East (item 54).
5. Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in South Asia (item 55).
6. Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects (item 56).
7. Conclusion of effective international arrangements on the strengthening of the security of non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons (item 57).
8. Conclusion of effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons (item 58).
9. Prevention of an arms race in outer space (item 59).
10. Implementation of the Declaration on the Denuclearization of Africa (item 60).
11. Prohibition of the development and manufacture of new types of weapons of mass destruction and new systems of such weapons: report of the Conference on Disarmament (item 61).
12. Reduction of military budgets (item 62).
13. Chemical and bacteriological (biological) weapons (item 63).
14. General and complete disarmament (item 64):

[The General Assembly decided that the relevant paragraphs of the annual report of the International Atomic Energy Agency (A/43/488), which is to be considered directly in plenary meeting under item 14, should be drawn to the attention of the First Committee in connection with its consideration of item 64.]

- (a) Contribution of the specialized agencies and other organizations and programmes of the United Nations system to the cause of arms limitation and disarmament;

- (b) Prohibition of the development, production, stockpiling and use of radiological weapons;
 - (c) Notification of nuclear tests;
 - (d) Conventional disarmament;
 - (e) Nuclear disarmament;
 - (f) Objective information on military matters;
 - (g) Implementation of General Assembly resolutions in the field of disarmament;
 - (h) Naval armaments and disarmament;
 - (i) Prohibition of the production of fissionable material for weapons purposes;
 - (j) Review of the role of the United Nations in the field of disarmament: report of the Disarmament Commission;
 - (k) Dumping of nuclear and industrial wastes in Africa.
15. Review and implementation of the Concluding Document of the Twelfth Special Session of the General Assembly (item 65):
- (a) Review and implementation of the Concluding Document of the Twelfth Special Session of the General Assembly;
 - (b) Freeze on nuclear weapons;
 - (c) Convention on the Prohibition of the Use of Nuclear Weapons;
 - (d) United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Asia;
 - (e) World Disarmament Campaign;
 - (f) Implementation of General Assembly resolution 42/39 B on a nuclear arms freeze;
 - (g) United Nations disarmament fellowship, training and advisory services programme;
 - (h) United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Africa;
 - (i) United Nations Regional Centre for Peace, Disarmament and Development in Latin America.

16. Review of the implementation of the recommendations and decisions adopted by the General Assembly at its fifteenth special session (item 66).
17. Review of the implementation of the recommendations and decisions adopted by the General Assembly at its tenth special session (item 67):
 - (a) Report of the Disarmament Commission;
 - (b) Report of the Conference on Disarmament;
 - (c) Status of multilateral disarmament agreements;
 - (d) Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies;
 - (e) United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research;
 - (f) Review and appraisal of the implementation of the Declaration of the 1980s as the Second Disarmament Decade;
 - (g) Climatic effects of nuclear war, including nuclear winter;
 - (h) Economic and social consequences of the armaments race and its extremely harmful effects on world peace and security;
 - (i) Review of the implementation of the recommendations and decisions of the tenth special session;
 - (j) Non-use of nuclear weapons and prevention of nuclear war;
 - (k) Cessation of the nuclear-arms race and nuclear disarmament: report of the Conference on Disarmament;
 - (l) Prevention of nuclear war;
 - (m) Disarmament Week;
 - (n) Implementation of the recommendations and decisions of the tenth special session.
18. Implementation of the Declaration of the Indian Ocean as a Zone of Peace (item 68).
19. Israeli nuclear armament (item 69).
20. Question of Antarctica (item 70).
21. Strengthening of security and co-operation in the Mediterranean region (item 71).

22. Review of the implementation of the Declaration on the Strengthening of International Security (item 72):
 - (a) Need for result oriented political dialogue to improve the international situation;
 - (b) Review of the implementation of the Declaration on the Strengthening of International Security.
23. Comprehensive system of international peace and security (item 73).
24. Verification in all its aspects (item 139).
25. Implementation of the conclusions of the Third Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons and establishment of a preparatory committee for the Fourth Review Conference (item 141).
26. Liability for the illegal transfer and/or use of prohibited weapons and weapons or substances which cause unnecessary human suffering (item 145).