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REVIEW AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CONCLUDING DOCUMENT OF THE
TWELFTH SPECIAL SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY: UNITED
NATIONS REGIONAL CENTRE FOR PEACE AND DISARMAMENT IN AFRICA;
UNITED NATIONS REGIONAL CENTRE FOR PEACE AND DISARMAMENT IN
ASIA; UNITED NATIONS REGIONAL CENTRE FOR PEACE, DISARMAMENT
AND DEVELOPMENT IN LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

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Japan, Kenya*, Malaysia, Mongolia, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan,
Peru**, Philippines, Singapore and Sri Lanka: revised draft
resolution

United Nations regional centres for peace and disarmament in Africa
and Asia and the United Nations Regional Centre for Peace,
Disarmament and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 40/151 G of 16 December 1985, 41/60 D of
3 December 1986, 42/39 J of 30 November 1987 and 43/76 D of 7 December 1988 on the
United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Africa, 41/60 J of
3 December 1986, 42/39 K of 30 November 1987 and 43/76 H of 7 December 1988 on the
United Nations Regional Centre for Peace, Disarmament and Development in Latin
America and the Caribbean, and 42/39 D of 30 November 1987 and 43/76 G of
7 December 1988 on the United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in
Asia,

* On behalf of the Group of African States.

** On behalf of the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States.

Reaffirming its resolutions of 37/100 F of 13 December 1982, 38/73 J of 15 December 1983, 39/63 F of 12 December 1984, 40/94 A of 12 December 1985, 41/59 M of 3 December 1986 and 42/39 E of 30 November 1987 on regional disarmament,

Taking note of the final documents 1/ of the Ninth Conference of Heads of State or Government of Non-Aligned Countries, held at Belgrade from 4 to 7 September 1989, and noting in particular the importance placed by the Heads of State or Government on the activities of the United Nations regional centres in Africa, Asia and Latin America and the Caribbean,

Convinced that the initiatives and activities mutually agreed upon by Member States of the respective regions aimed at fostering mutual confidence and security, as well as the implementation and co-ordination of regional activities under the World Disarmament Campaign, would encourage and facilitate the development of effective measures of confidence-building, arms limitation and disarmament in these regions,

Expressing its gratitude to the Member States and international governmental and non-governmental organizations that have contributed to the trust funds of the three regional centres,

Bearing in mind the need to provide the centres with financial stability so as to facilitate the planning of their activities,

Noting with appreciation the reports of the Secretary-General on the regional centres in Africa, 2/ Asia 3/ and Latin America and the Caribbean, 4/ and the efforts of the Secretary-General in providing the necessary administrative measures to permit the establishment of the three centres,

Convinced that the appointment of a Director to head each of the three regional centres is essential to ensure the continued effective functioning of the centres,

Noting that the responsibilities of the United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Asia include the Asia-Pacific region,

1. Appeals once again to Member States, as well as to international governmental and non-governmental organizations, to make voluntary contributions in order to strengthen the effective operational activities of the centres;

1/ A/44/551-S/20870, annex.

2/ A/44/582.

3/ A/44/583.

4/ A/44/584.

2. Commends the Secretary-General for all the efforts he has made in favour of the centres, and requests him to continue to provide all the necessary support to their activities;

3. Requests the Secretary-General to establish, as soon as practicable, the post of Director at each of the regional centres so as to ensure the effective functioning of the centres;

4. Decides to rename the United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Asia as "The United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Asia and the Pacific";

5. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its forty-fifth session on the implementation of the present resolution.
