

rivalry, prepared by the Secretary-General with the assistance of qualified experts<sup>28</sup> pursuant to General Assembly resolution 3080 (XXVIII),

*Deeply concerned* that the competitive expansion of the military presence of the great Powers in the Indian Ocean would constitute a serious intensification of the arms race, leading to an increase of tension in the area,

*Considering* that the creation of a zone of peace in the Indian Ocean requires:

(a) The elimination of all manifestations of great Power military presence in the region, conceived in the context of great Power rivalry,

(b) Co-operation among the regional States to ensure conditions of security within the region as envisaged in the Declaration,

*Further believing* that for the realization of the objective of the Declaration it is necessary that the great Powers enter into immediate consultations with the States concerned with a view to adopting positive measures for the elimination of all foreign bases and of all manifestations of great Power military presence in the region, conceived in the context of great Power rivalry,

1. *Urges* the littoral and hinterland States of the Indian Ocean, the permanent members of the Security Council and other major maritime users of the Indian Ocean to give tangible support to the establishment and preservation of the Indian Ocean as a zone of peace;

2. *Calls upon* the great Powers to refrain from increasing and strengthening their military presence in the region of the Indian Ocean as an essential first step towards the relaxation of tension and the promotion of peace and security in the area;

3. *Endorses* the recommendations concerning the future work of the *Ad Hoc* Committee on the Indian Ocean, as contained in paragraph 35 of the report of the Committee;

4. *Requests* the littoral and hinterland States of the Indian Ocean to enter, as soon as possible, into consultations with a view to convening a conference on the Indian Ocean;

5. *Invites* all States, especially the great Powers, to co-operate in a practical manner with the *Ad Hoc* Committee in the discharge of its functions;

6. *Expresses its thanks* to the Secretary-General for his efforts in the preparation of the factual statement of the great Powers' military presence in the Indian Ocean;

7. *Requests* the *Ad Hoc* Committee to continue its work and consultations in accordance with its mandate and to report to the General Assembly at its thirtieth session;

8. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue to render all necessary assistance to the *Ad Hoc* Committee.

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## B

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolution 2992 (XXVII) of 15 December 1972 by which it decided to establish an *Ad*

<sup>28</sup> *Ibid.*, annex.

*Hoc* Committee on the Indian Ocean consisting of no more than fifteen members,

*Noting* that some littoral and hinterland States of the Indian Ocean have expressed deep interest in becoming members of the *Ad Hoc* Committee in view of their geographical position and adherence to the concept of the Indian Ocean as a zone of peace,

*Noting further* that since the establishment of the *Ad Hoc* Committee new States have been admitted to membership in the United Nations,

*Recognizing* that the establishment and preservation of the Indian Ocean as a zone of peace is a matter that concerns all littoral and hinterland States,

*Decides* to enlarge the composition of the *Ad Hoc* Committee on the Indian Ocean by the addition of Bangladesh, Kenya and Somalia.

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*As a result of the appointments set forth in resolution B above, the Ad Hoc Committee on the Indian Ocean is composed of the following Member States: AUSTRALIA, BANGLADESH, CHINA, INDIA, INDONESIA, IRAN, IRAQ, JAPAN, KENYA, MADAGASCAR, MALAYSIA, MAURITIUS, PAKISTAN, SOMALIA, SRI LANKA, UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA, YEMEN and ZAMBIA.*

## 3260 (XXIX). World Disarmament Conference

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolutions 2833 (XXVI) of 16 December 1971, 2930 (XXVII) of 29 November 1972 and 3183 (XXVIII) of 18 December 1973,

*Reaffirming* the responsibility of the United Nations under the Charter for the maintenance of international peace and for disarmament,

*Reiterating its conviction* that all peoples of the world have a vital interest in the success of disarmament negotiations and that all States should be in a position to contribute to the adoption of measures for the achievement of this goal,

*Stressing anew its belief* that a world disarmament conference, adequately prepared and convened at an appropriate time, could promote the realization of such aims and that the co-operation of all nuclear Powers would considerably facilitate their attainment,

*Bearing in mind* the report of the *Ad Hoc* Committee on the World Disarmament Conference<sup>29</sup> and the annex thereto containing a summary of views and suggestions expressed by Governments on the convening of a world disarmament conference and related problems, including conditions for the realization of such a conference,

*Considering* that it does not yet seem possible to reach a final conclusion with regard to the convening of a world disarmament conference,

1. *Invites* all States to communicate to the Secretary-General, before 31 March 1975, their comments on the main objectives of a world disarmament conference in the light of the views and suggestions compiled in section II of the summary annexed to the report of the *Ad Hoc* Committee on the World Disarmament Conference;

<sup>29</sup> *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 28 (A/9628).

2. *Decides* that the *Ad Hoc* Committee shall resume its work, in accordance with the procedure established in General Assembly resolution 3183 (XXVIII), on 1 April 1975 and that in discharging its assigned task it shall give priority to the following two functions:

(a) To prepare and submit to the General Assembly at its thirtieth session, on the basis of consensus, an analytical report, including any conclusions and recommendations it may deem pertinent, concerning the comments received pursuant to paragraph 1 above;

(b) To maintain close contact with the representatives of the States possessing nuclear weapons in order to keep currently informed of any change in their respective positions;

3. *Renews its invitation* to the States possessing nuclear weapons to co-operate or maintain contact with the *Ad Hoc* Committee, it being understood that they will enjoy the same rights as the appointed members of the Committee;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to render all necessary assistance to the *Ad Hoc* Committee in its work, including the preparation of summary records;

5. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its thirtieth session the item entitled "World Disarmament Conference".

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### 3261 (XXIX). General and complete disarmament

#### A

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolution 2602 E (XXIV) of 16 December 1969, in which it declared the decade of the 1970s the Disarmament Decade,

*Having received* the reports of the Conference of the Committee on Disarmament since 1970 relating to the question of general and complete disarmament under effective international control,

*Mindful* of the grave dangers involved in the continuing development of new nuclear weapons through a spiralling nuclear arms race and proliferation of nuclear weapons,

*Reaffirming its conviction* that the diversion of enormous resources and energy, human and material, from peaceful economic and social pursuits to an unproductive and wasteful arms race, particularly in the nuclear arms race, impairs the security and the economic and social well-being of both the developed and developing countries,

*Recalling* the link between the Disarmament Decade and the Second United Nations Development Decade,

1. *Reaffirms* the purposes and objectives of the Disarmament Decade;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General and Governments to report to the General Assembly at its thirtieth session on the action and steps which they have taken so far to publicize the Disarmament Decade in order to acquaint the general public with its purposes and objectives;

3. *Invites* Member States to report to the General Assembly at its thirtieth session, through the Secretary-General, on the measures and policies they have adopted to achieve the purposes and objectives of the Disarmament Decade;

4. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its thirtieth session an item entitled "Mid-term review of the Disarmament Decade".

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#### B

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolutions 1660 (XVI) of 28 November 1961 and 1722 (XVI) of 20 December 1961 on the composition of a Disarmament Committee of eighteen members,

*Recalling further* its resolution 2602 B (XXIV) of 16 December 1969 by which it endorsed the agreement that had been reached on the title of the Committee as "Conference of the Committee on Disarmament" and on an enlarged composition of the following twenty-six members: Argentina, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burma, Canada, Czechoslovakia, Ethiopia, France, Hungary, India, Italy, Japan, Mexico, Mongolia, Morocco, Netherlands, Nigeria, Pakistan, Poland, Romania, Sweden, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Arab Republic, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America and Yugoslavia,

*Noting* that the German Democratic Republic, Germany (Federal Republic of), Iran, Peru and Zaire have expressed an interest in becoming members of the Conference of the Committee on Disarmament and that the present members of the Committee have agreed to invite them to become members beginning on 1 January 1975, as stated in the report of the Conference of the Committee on Disarmament,<sup>30</sup>

*Reaffirming* that all States have a deep interest in disarmament negotiations,

1. *Endorses* the agreement that has been reached to the effect that the composition of the Conference of the Committee on Disarmament will be enlarged as from 1 January 1975 by the addition of the following members: German Democratic Republic, Germany (Federal Republic of), Iran, Peru and Zaire;

2. *Welcomes* the five new members of the Conference of the Committee on Disarmament;

3. *Expresses its conviction* that, to effect any change in the composition of the Conference of the Committee on Disarmament specified in the present resolution, the procedure followed on this occasion should be observed;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue to provide the necessary assistance and services to the Conference of the Committee on Disarmament.

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#### C

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolution 2602 A (XXIV) of 16 December 1969 relating to the initiation of bilateral negotiations between the Governments of the Union of

<sup>30</sup> A/9708-DC/237, para. 7. For the printed text, see *Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 27 (A/9627)*.