

3. *Notes also* that the report indicates a wide measure of agreement in respect of land-mines and booby traps, and that there was a further convergence of views in relation to the prohibition or restriction of use of incendiary weapons;

4. *Takes note* of the progress made by the Conference Working Group on a General Treaty entrusted with the preparation of the text of a convention to which optional protocols or clauses embodying prohibitions or restrictions of use of certain conventional weapons, deemed to be excessively injurious or to have indiscriminate effects, would be attached;

5. *Takes note also* of the resolution of the Conference concerning the development of small calibre weapon systems,⁸⁵ in which, *inter alia*, the Conference stressed the need to exercise the utmost care in their development so as to avoid an unnecessary escalation of the injurious effects of such systems;

6. *Endorses* the recommendation of the Conference to hold another session at Geneva for a period of up to four weeks, starting on 15 September 1980, with a view to completing negotiations in conformity with General Assembly resolutions 32/152 and 33/70;

7. *Takes note* of the understanding of the Conference that issues on which agreement has already been achieved should not be reopened at the forthcoming session, so that all efforts may be concentrated on working out agreement on outstanding issues;

8. *Invites* States to continue to participate actively in the Conference and to be represented, in so far as possible, by the required legal, military and medical expertise;

9. *Requests* the Secretary-General to provide necessary assistance to the Conference;

10. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-fifth session the item entitled "United Nations Conference on Prohibitions or Restrictions of Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects: report of the Conference".

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34/83. Review of the implementation of the recommendations and decisions adopted by the General Assembly at its tenth special session

A

DISARMAMENT AND INTERNATIONAL SECURITY

The General Assembly,

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

Reaffirming also that the United Nations has a central role and primary responsibility in the sphere of disarmament,

Recognizing that genuine and lasting peace can be created only through the effective implementation of the security system provided for in the Charter of the United Nations and through the speedy and substantial reduction of arms and armed forces by international agreement and mutual example, leading ultimately to general and complete disarmament under effective international control,

⁸⁵ *Ibid.*, annex III.

Convinced that disarmament, relaxation of international tension, respect for the right to self-determination and national independence, the peaceful settlement of disputes in accordance with the Charter and the strengthening of international peace and security are directly related to each other,

Recalling its resolutions 32/87 C of 12 December 1977, S-10/2 of 30 June 1978 and 33/91 I of 16 December 1978,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General entitled "Study on the relationship between disarmament and international security";⁸⁶

2. *Considers* that the halting of the arms race, particularly the nuclear arms race, should be the first step in the implementation of the Final Document of the Tenth Special Session of the General Assembly;⁸⁷

3. *Calls upon* all States to eliminate tensions and conflicts in their relations and proceed towards effective collective measures under the Charter of the United Nations for a system of international order, security and peace, concurrently with efforts at disarmament measures;

4. *Also calls upon* all States to pursue policies to strengthen international peace and security and to build confidence among States;

5. *Requests* the organs of the United Nations to initiate or accelerate work on developing and strengthening institutions for maintaining peace and security, in accordance with the purposes and principles of the Charter.

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B

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON DISARMAMENT

The General Assembly,

Expressing its satisfaction at the establishment, in accordance with the agreement reached at the tenth special session, of the Committee on Disarmament and the fact that the Committee held its first session in the course of 1979,

Noting with appreciation the valuable results of the work of the Committee on Disarmament concerning its organization and procedures,

Deploring the fact that negotiations on priority tasks in the field of disarmament have not thus far yielded any concrete results, in spite of the repeated appeals of the General Assembly,

Convinced that the Committee on Disarmament, as the single multilateral negotiating body on disarmament, should become urgently and most directly involved in substantive negotiations on priority questions of disarmament and play the central role in the implementation of the Programme of Action set forth in section III of the Final Document of the Tenth Special Session of the General Assembly;⁸⁸

Stressing that negotiations on specific disarmament issues conducted outside the Committee on Disarmament should not in any way constitute an impediment to the negotiations on such questions in the Committee,

Having considered the first report of the Committee on Disarmament,⁸⁹

⁸⁶ A/34/465 and Corr.1.

⁸⁷ Resolution S-10/2.

⁸⁸ *Ibid.*

⁸⁹ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 27 (A/34/27 and Corr.1).*

1. *Urges* the Committee on Disarmament to proceed, without any further delay, to substantive negotiations on the priority questions of disarmament on its agenda, in accordance with the provisions of the Final Document of the Tenth Special Session and the other relevant resolutions of the General Assembly on those questions;

2. *Invites* the members of the Committee on Disarmament involved in separate negotiations on specific priority questions of disarmament to make every effort to achieve a positive conclusion of those negotiations without further delay for submission to the Committee and, failing this, to submit to the Committee a full report on the status of their separate negotiations and results achieved thus far in order to contribute most directly to the negotiations in the Committee in accordance with paragraph 1 above;

3. *Requests* the Committee on Disarmament, at its session in 1980, to initiate negotiations on the comprehensive programme of disarmament, with a view to completing its elaboration before the second special session of the General Assembly devoted to disarmament, in 1982, and, in doing so, to take as a basis the recommendations adopted by the Disarmament Commission;

4. *Requests* the Committee on Disarmament to submit a report on its work to the General Assembly at its thirty-fifth session;

5. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-fifth session the item entitled "Report of the Committee on Disarmament".

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C

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS AND DECISIONS OF THE TENTH SPECIAL SESSION

The General Assembly,

Having reviewed the implementation of the recommendations and decisions adopted at the tenth special session,

Recalling that disarmament has become an imperative and most urgent task facing the international community and that all the peoples of the world have a vital interest in the success of disarmament negotiations,

Calling attention to the measures qualified in the Programme of Action set forth in section III of the Final Document of the Tenth Special Session of the General Assembly⁴⁰ as being most urgent and feasible within a short period of time and to the task of bringing about effective agreements,

Expressing its satisfaction at the fact that the tenth special session greatly stimulated the involvement of all countries and set in motion a number of new initiatives in the field of disarmament,

Noting with satisfaction that some initial results in the implementation of the recommendations and decisions of the tenth special session have been achieved, primarily in the field of active involvement of the United Nations and in a considerable revitalization of the multi-lateral disarmament machinery,

Deeply concerned about the continued arms race and the alarming increase in expenditures on armaments,

Considering that it is necessary to make sustained progress in all negotiations dealing with disarmament and arms limitation issues,

Noting with concern that most negotiations on priority tasks in the field of disarmament have not thus far yielded concrete results, in spite of the repeated appeals of the General Assembly,

Bearing in mind that negotiations have not as yet started on a number of issues which are contained in the Programme of Action,

Determined to encourage the adoption of urgent measures in order to secure the implementation of the recommendations and decisions endorsed by Member States in the Final Document of the Tenth Special Session and aimed at halting and reversing the arms race, particularly the nuclear arms race, and to proceed to disarmament,

1. *Expresses its deep concern* about the continued arms race, nuclear as well as conventional, and about constantly growing military budgets which bear negative consequences and pose a growing threat to international peace and security and also to the unhampered development of countries, particularly developing countries;

2. *Urgently calls upon* all States, in particular nuclear-weapon States and other major military Powers, immediately to take steps leading to effective halting and reversing of the arms race and to disarmament and, to this end:

(a) To make every effort to bring to a successful end the negotiations which are currently going on in the Committee on Disarmament and in a limited or regional framework on effective international agreements according to the priorities of the Programme of Action set forth in section III of the Final Document of the Tenth Special Session;

(b) To resume or undertake as soon as possible negotiations on a bilateral, regional or multilateral basis on measures which were agreed upon by consensus at the tenth special session, taking into consideration all relevant proposals;

3. *Invites* all States which are engaged in bilateral, regional or multilateral disarmament or arms limitation negotiations outside the United Nations framework to keep the General Assembly informed of the results of such negotiations in conformity with the relevant provisions of the Final Document of the Tenth Special Session;

4. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-fifth session the item entitled "Implementation of the recommendations and decisions of the tenth special session".

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D

UNITED NATIONS PROGRAMME OF FELLOWSHIPS ON DISARMAMENT

The General Assembly,

Recalling its decision, taken at the tenth special session, to establish a programme of fellowships on disarmament,⁴¹

Recalling also its resolution 33/71 E of 14 December 1978, by which it approved the guidelines prepared by the Secretary-General for the programme,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the United Nations programme of fellowships on disarmament for 1979,⁴²

⁴¹ *Ibid.*, para. 108.

⁴² A/34/640.

⁴⁰ Resolution S-10/2.

1. *Takes note with satisfaction* of the report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations programme of fellowships on disarmament;

2. *Decides* to continue the programme;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to make adequate arrangements relating to the programme for 1980 in accordance with the guidelines approved by the General Assembly at its thirty-third session;

4. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its thirty-fifth session a report on the implementation of the programme.

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E

MONITORING OF DISARMAMENT AGREEMENTS AND STRENGTHENING OF INTERNATIONAL SECURITY

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 33/71 J of 14 December 1978, in which it requested the Secretary-General to undertake, with the assistance of a group of qualified governmental experts, a study on the technical, legal and financial implications of establishing an international satellite monitoring agency,

Reaffirming the essential role to be played by appropriate monitoring measures, satisfactory to all interested parties, in establishing and implementing disarmament agreements and in strengthening international security and confidence,

Considering the important contribution which earth observation satellite technology can make in this field,

Noting the views expressed by Member States, as compiled by the Secretary-General, on the proposal to establish an international satellite monitoring agency, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 33/71 J,⁴³

Taking into consideration the report of the Secretary-General,⁴⁴ to which are annexed the preliminary conclusions of the study that he has undertaken, with the assistance of qualified governmental experts, of the technical, legal and financial implications of establishing such an agency,

Considering it necessary, in the light of the recommendations made by the Group of Governmental Experts on the Question of the Establishment of an International Satellite Monitoring Agency in its preliminary conclusions,⁴⁵ that the study should be continued in depth,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to carry out such an in-depth study with the assistance of the Group of Governmental Experts on the Question of the Establishment of an International Satellite Monitoring Agency previously constituted;

2. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to submit a comprehensive report on the subject in time for the General Assembly to take a decision at its second special session devoted to disarmament, in 1982;

3. *Draws the attention* of the Secretary-General to the fact that, in pursuance of paragraph 2 above, the study should be submitted no later than June 1981 to

the preparatory committee for the second special session of the General Assembly devoted to disarmament.

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F

FREEZING AND REDUCTION OF MILITARY BUDGETS

The General Assembly,

Recalling the provisions of paragraph 89 of the Final Document of the Tenth Special Session of the General Assembly,⁴⁶ according to which gradual reduction of military budgets on a mutually agreed basis, for example, in absolute figures or in terms of percentage points, particularly by nuclear-weapon States and other militarily significant States, would be a measure that would contribute to curbing the arms race and would increase the possibilities of reallocation of resources currently being used for military purposes to economic and social development, particularly for the benefit of the developing countries,

Recalling also its decision, taken at the tenth special session, to continue to consider what concrete steps should be taken to facilitate the reduction of military budgets,⁴⁷

Reaffirming that it is possible to achieve reductions in military budgets without affecting the military balance to the detriment of the national security of any State,

Recognizing the need for the availability of a satisfactory instrument for standardized reporting on the military expenditures of Member States, such as the one currently being tested within the framework of the United Nations,

Aware of the proposals submitted to date by States and of the activities carried out thus far within the framework of the United Nations in the field of the reduction of military budgets,

Taking into account the fact that world military expenditures continue to grow at an alarming rate, in stark contrast with the acute development needs of States, in particular those of developing countries,

1. *Considers* that, in the light of the above-mentioned provisions of the Final Document of the Tenth Special Session, a new impetus should be given to endeavours to achieve agreements to freeze, reduce or otherwise restrain, in a balanced manner, military expenditures, including adequate measures of verification satisfactory to all parties concerned;

2. *Requests*, to this end, the Disarmament Commission to undertake during 1980 to examine and identify effective ways and means of achieving such agreements;

3. *Appeals* to all States, in particular the most heavily armed States, pending the conclusion of agreements on the reduction of military expenditures, to exercise self-restraint in their military expenditures with a view to reallocating the funds thus saved to economic and social development, particularly for the benefit of developing countries;

4. *Decides* to consider at its thirty-fifth session, under the item entitled "Reduction of military budgets" to be included in its provisional agenda in pursuance of its resolution 33/67 of 14 December 1978, the most

⁴³ A/34/374.

⁴⁴ A/34/540.

⁴⁵ *Ibid.*, annex.

⁴⁶ Resolution S-10/2.

⁴⁷ *Ibid.*, para. 90.

effective ways and means of adopting practical measures in this field.

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G

NON-USE OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS AND PREVENTION OF NUCLEAR WAR

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 33/71 B of 14 December 1978, in which, *inter alia*, it called for prohibition of the use of nuclear weapons, pending nuclear disarmament,

Taking into account proposals submitted by States concerning the non-use of nuclear weapons, prevention of nuclear war and related matters,⁴⁸

1. *Decides* to transmit to the Committee on Disarmament the views of States concerning the non-use of nuclear weapons, avoidance of nuclear war and related matters;

2. *Requests* the Committee on Disarmament to take those views into appropriate consideration and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its thirty-fifth session.

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H

REPORT OF THE DISARMAMENT COMMISSION

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Disarmament Commission,⁴⁹

Emphasizing again the importance of an effective follow-up to the relevant recommendations and decisions adopted at the tenth special session,

Welcoming the recommendations of the Disarmament Commission adopted by consensus concerning the elements of a comprehensive programme of disarmament,⁵⁰

Considering the important role that the Disarmament Commission can play and the important contribution it can make in examining and submitting recommendations on various problems in the field of disarmament and in the promotion of the implementation of the relevant decisions of the tenth special session,

Recalling section II of its resolution 33/71 H of 14 December 1978,

1. *Endorses* the report of the Disarmament Commission and the recommendations contained therein on the elements of a comprehensive programme of disarmament;

2. *Requests* the Disarmament Commission to continue its work in accordance with its mandate, as set forth in paragraph 118 of the Final Document of the Tenth Special Session of the General Assembly,⁵¹ and, to that end, to meet for a period not exceeding four weeks during 1980, beginning on 12 May 1980;

3. *Also requests* the Disarmament Commission to continue the consideration of the agenda items contained in section II of resolution 33/71 H, with the aim of elaborating, within the framework and in accordance with the priorities established at the tenth special session, a general approach to negotiations on nuclear and conventional disarmament;

⁴⁸ See A/34/456 and Add.1.

⁴⁹ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 42 (A/34/42).*

⁵⁰ *Ibid.*, para. 19.

⁵¹ Resolution S-10/2.

4. *Further requests* the Disarmament Commission to submit a report on its work and its recommendations on paragraph 2 above to the General Assembly at its thirty-fifth session;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to transmit to the Disarmament Commission the report of the Committee on Disarmament,⁵² together with all the official records of the thirty-fourth session of the General Assembly relating to disarmament matters, and to render all the assistance that it may require for implementing the present resolution;

6. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to transmit to the Committee on Disarmament the report and the recommendations of the Disarmament Commission on the elements of a comprehensive programme of disarmament;

7. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-fifth session the item entitled "Report of the Disarmament Commission".

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I

DISARMAMENT WEEK

The General Assembly,

Gravely concerned about the continuing arms race,

Emphasizing the urgent need for and the importance of wide and continued mobilization of world public opinion in support of halting and reversing the arms race, especially the nuclear arms race in all its aspects,

Noting with satisfaction the broad and active support of Governments, international and national organizations for the decision taken by the General Assembly at its tenth special session to proclaim the week starting 24 October, the day of the founding of the United Nations, a week devoted to fostering the objectives of disarmament,⁵³

Recalling its resolutions 33/71 D and G of 14 December 1978,

Recognizing the need for active involvement of the relevant specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency, within their areas of competence, in promoting the cause of disarmament and, in particular, in holding Disarmament Week,

1. *Takes note with satisfaction* of the reports of the Secretary-General on measures taken by governmental and non-governmental organizations to foster the objectives of Disarmament Week⁵⁴ and on elements of a model programme for Disarmament Week;⁵⁵

2. *Invites* all States that so desire, in carrying out appropriate measures at the local level on the occasion of Disarmament Week, to take into account the elements of the model programme prepared by the Secretary-General;

3. *Invites* the relevant specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency to intensify activities, within their areas of competence, to disseminate information on the consequences of the arms race and requests them to inform the Secretary-General accordingly;

4. *Invites* Governments, in accordance with its resolution 33/71 D, to inform the Secretary-General of

⁵² *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 27 (A/34/27 and Corr.1).*

⁵³ Resolution S-10/2, para. 102.

⁵⁴ A/34/457 and Add.1 and 2.

⁵⁵ A/34/436.

activities undertaken to promote the objectives of Disarmament Week;

5. *Invites* international non-governmental organizations to take an active part in holding Disarmament Week and to inform the Secretary-General of the activities undertaken;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in accordance with paragraph 4 of resolution 33/71 D, to submit to the General Assembly at its thirty-fifth session a report containing the information referred to in paragraphs 3 and 4 above.

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J

NUCLEAR WEAPONS IN ALL ASPECTS

The General Assembly,

Reaffirming that nuclear weapons pose the most serious threat to mankind and its survival and that it is therefore essential to proceed with nuclear disarmament and the complete elimination of nuclear weapons,

Reaffirming also that all the nuclear-weapon States, in particular those which possess the most important nuclear arsenals, bear a special responsibility for the fulfilment of the task of achieving the goals of nuclear disarmament,

Stressing again that priority in disarmament negotiations should be given to nuclear weapons, and referring to paragraphs 49 and 54 of the Final Document of the Tenth Special Session of the General Assembly,⁵⁶

Recalling its resolution 33/71 H of 14 December 1978,

Noting with satisfaction that in 1979 the Committee on Disarmament started to consider the substance of the item entitled "Nuclear weapons in all aspects",

Noting also the proposals and statements made in the Committee on Disarmament on the cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament,⁵⁷

Convinced that the Committee on Disarmament is the most suitable forum for the preparation and conduct of the negotiations on nuclear disarmament,

1. *Requests* the Committee on Disarmament to continue, at the beginning of its session in 1980, consideration of the item entitled "Nuclear weapons in all aspects" and to undertake preparatory consultations on the negotiations referred to in paragraph 2 below;

2. *Requests* the Committee on Disarmament to initiate negotiations, as a matter of high priority, with the participation of all nuclear-weapon States, on the question of the cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament, in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 50 of the Final Document of the Tenth Special Session;⁵⁸

3. *Further requests* the Committee on Disarmament to report on the results of those negotiations to the General Assembly at its thirty-fifth session.

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⁵⁶ Resolution S-10/2.

⁵⁷ See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 27 (A/34/27 and Corr.1)*, paras. 41-43.

⁵⁸ Resolution S-10/2.

K

STUDY ON THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN DISARMAMENT AND DEVELOPMENT

The General Assembly,

Recalling the provisions of paragraphs 94 and 95 of the Final Document of the Tenth Special Session of the General Assembly⁵⁹ concerning the relationship between disarmament and development,

Recalling further its resolution 33/71 M of 14 December 1978, in which it took note of the organizational report of the Group of Governmental Experts on the Relationship between Disarmament and Development,⁵⁹ appointed by the Secretary-General to assist him with the study on the relationship between disarmament and development, and its resolution 33/71 I of the same date in which it requested the Secretary-General to transmit to the Group of Governmental Experts, for its consideration, the proposal to establish an international disarmament fund for development,

Re-emphasizing that one of the principal aims of the study should be to produce results that could effectively guide the formulation of practical measures,

1. *Takes note* of the interim report of the Secretary-General with respect to the above-mentioned study;⁶⁰

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to take appropriate action to provide the resources and expertise necessary to complete successfully the study in accordance with paragraph 23 of the interim report;

3. *Appeals* to Governments to make available data and information relevant to a meaningful completion of the above-mentioned study;

4. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-sixth session an item entitled "Study on the relationship between disarmament and development: report of the Secretary-General".

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L

COMMITTEE ON DISARMAMENT

The General Assembly,

Recalling paragraph 120 of the Final Document of the Tenth Special Session of the General Assembly,⁶¹

Having considered the report of the Committee on Disarmament,⁶²

Stressing once again that considerable and urgent work remains to be accomplished by the Committee on Disarmament,

Noting that the Committee on Disarmament adopted its rules of procedure,⁶³ which contain detailed arrangements on all aspects relating to its work,

Noting also that rule 17 of the rules of procedure of the Committee on Disarmament states that the Secretary-General will be requested to provide the staff as well as the necessary assistance and services needed by the Committee and any subsidiary bodies which it may establish,

Requests, accordingly, the Secretary-General to provide the staff as well as the necessary assistance and

⁵⁹ A/33/317, annex.

⁶⁰ A/34/534.

⁶¹ Resolution S-10/2.

⁶² *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 27 (A/34/27 and Corr.1)*.

⁶³ *Ibid.*, appendix I.

services needed by the Committee on Disarmament and any subsidiary bodies which it may establish, in accordance with the arrangements contained in its rules of procedure.

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M

PROGRAMME OF RESEARCH AND STUDIES ON DISARMAMENT

The General Assembly,

Referring to its resolution 33/71 K of 14 December 1978, in which it requested the Secretary-General to report to it at its thirty-fourth session on possible ways of establishing, operating and financing an international institute for disarmament research, under the auspices of the United Nations,

1. *Takes note* of the information relevant to the matter contained in the report of the Secretary-General on the programme of research and studies on disarmament;⁶⁴

2. *Welcomes* the recommendations concerning the United Nations institute for disarmament research submitted by the Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies and set forth in the report of the Secretary-General;⁶⁵

3. *Notes* that, under those recommendations, the United Nations institute for disarmament research would be set up within the framework of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research as an interim arrangement, for the period until the second special session of the General Assembly devoted to disarmament, in 1982;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to hold consultations with the United Nations Institute on Training and Research regarding the establishment of the United Nations institute for disarmament research;

5. *Expresses the hope* that appropriate steps will be taken as soon as possible with a view to implementing the recommendations set forth in the report of the Secretary-General;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its thirty-fifth session.

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34/84. Conclusion of an international convention on the strengthening of guarantees of the security of non-nuclear-weapon States

The General Assembly,

Convinced of the need to take effective measures for the strengthening of the security of States and prompted by the desire shared by all nations to eliminate war and prevent a nuclear holocaust,

Taking into account the principle of the non-use of force or threat of force enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations and reaffirmed in a number of United Nations declarations and resolutions,

Noting with satisfaction the desire of States in various regions to prevent nuclear weapons from being introduced into their territories, including through the estab-

lishment of nuclear-weapon-free zones, on the basis of arrangements freely arrived at among the States of the region concerned, and being anxious to contribute to this objective,

Considering that, until nuclear disarmament is achieved on a universal basis, it is imperative for the international community to develop, as appropriate, effective measures to ensure the security of non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons from any quarter,

Recognizing that effective measures to assure the non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons can constitute a positive contribution to the prevention of the spread of nuclear weapons,

Mindful of the statements and observations made by various States on the strengthening of the security of non-nuclear-weapon States,

Desirous of promoting the implementation of paragraph 59 of the Final Document of the Tenth Special Session of the General Assembly,⁶⁶ in which it urged the nuclear-weapon States to pursue efforts to conclude, as appropriate, effective arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons,

Recalling its resolution 33/72 of 14 December 1978,

Welcoming the in-depth consideration of the item entitled "Effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons" by the Committee on Disarmament and the establishment of an *ad hoc* working group open to all States members of the Committee to conduct negotiations on the subject,⁶⁷

Noting with satisfaction that, under that item, drafts of an international convention were submitted to the Committee on Disarmament,

Taking note of the report of the Committee on Disarmament, including the report of the *ad hoc* Working Group,⁶⁸

Noting with satisfaction that the idea of a convention has gained broad international support,

Desirous of promoting an early and successful completion of the negotiations on the elaboration of the convention,

1. *Welcomes* the conclusion of the Committee on Disarmament that it is urgent to reach agreement on effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons;

2. *Notes with satisfaction* that in the Committee on Disarmament there is no objection, in principle, to the idea of such an international convention;

3. *Commends* the decision of the Committee on Disarmament to continue the negotiations on this subject at the beginning of its session in 1980;

4. *Requests* the Committee on Disarmament to continue the negotiations on this subject on a priority basis during its session in 1980 with a view to their early conclusion with the elaboration of a convention to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons;

5. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-fifth session an item entitled "Conclusion of an international convention on the strengthening of the

⁶⁶ Resolution S-10/2.

⁶⁷ See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 27 (A/34/27 and Corr.1)*, paras. 44-51.

⁶⁸ *Ibid.*, appendix II.

⁶⁴ A/34/589.

⁶⁵ *Ibid.*, para. 7.