Fortieth session
FIRST COMMITTEE

ALLOCATION OF AGENDA ITEMS TO THE FIRST COMMITTEE

Letter dated 20 September 1985 from the President of the General Assembly addressed to the Chairman of the First Committee

I have the honour to inform you that at the 3rd plenary meeting of the fortieth session, held today, the General Assembly decided to allocate the following items to the First Committee:

1. Economic and social consequences of the armaments race and its extremely harmful effects on world peace and security (item 48).


3. Cessation of all test explosions of nuclear weapons: report of the Conference on Disarmament (item 50).

4. Urgent need for a comprehensive nuclear-test-ban treaty: report of the Conference on Disarmament (item 51).

5. Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the Middle East: report of the Secretary-General (item 52).

6. Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in South Asia: report of the Secretary-General (item 53).

8. Conclusion of an international convention on the strengthening of the
security of non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons: report of the Conference on Disarmament (item 55).

9. Conclusion of effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons: report of the Conference on Disarmament (item 56).


(a) Report of the Disarmament Commission;

(b) Report of the Secretary-General.

13. 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 60).

14. Review and implementation of the Concluding Document of the Twelfth Special Session of the General Assembly (item 61):

(a) World Disarmament Campaign: report of the Secretary-General;

(b) United Nations programme of fellowships on disarmament: report of the Secretary-General;

(c) Implementation of General Assembly resolution 39/63 C on a nuclear-arms freeze;

(d) Consideration of guidelines for confidence-building measures;

(e) Freeze on nuclear weapons;

(f) Convention on the Prohibition of the Use of Nuclear Weapons: report of the Conference on Disarmament;

(g) Third special session of the General Assembly devoted to disarmament;

(h) Disarmament and international security: report of the Secretary-General.
15. Reduction of military budgets (item 62):

(a) Report of the Disarmament Commission;

(b) Reports of the Secretary-General.

16. Chemical and bacteriological (biological) weapons: report of the Conference on Disarmament (item 63).

17. Israeli nuclear armament: report of the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research (item 64).

18. Review of the implementation of the recommendations and decisions adopted by the General Assembly at its tenth special session (item 65):

(a) Report of the Disarmament Commission;

(b) Report of the Conference on Disarmament;

(c) Status of multilateral disarmament agreements: report of the Secretary-General;

(d) Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies: report of the Secretary-General;

(e) Cessation of the nuclear-arms race and nuclear disarmament: report of the Conference on Disarmament;

(f) Non-use of nuclear weapons and prevention of nuclear war: report of the Conference on Disarmament;

(g) Prohibition of the nuclear neutron weapon: report of the Conference on Disarmament;

(h) Prevention of nuclear war:

(i) Report of the Conference on Disarmament;

(ii) Reports of the Secretary-General;

(i) Bilateral nuclear-arms negotiations;

(j) United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research: report of the Director of the Institute;

(k) Comprehensive programme of disarmament: report of the Conference on Disarmament;

(l) Disarmament Week: report of the Secretary-General;
(m) Implementation of the recommendations and decisions of the tenth special session:

(i) Report of the Disarmament Commission;

(ii) Report of the Conference on Disarmament;

(n) Review and appraisal of the implementation of the Declaration of the 1980s as the Second Disarmament Decade: report of the Disarmament Commission.


21. General and complete disarmament (item 68):

(a) Further measures in the field of disarmament for the prevention of an arms race on the sea-bed, the ocean floor and the subsoil thereof: report of the Conference on Disarmament;

(b) Study on the naval arms race: report of the Secretary-General;

(c) Study on concepts of security: report of the Secretary-General;

(d) Study of the question of nuclear-weapon-free zones in all its aspects: report of the Secretary-General;

(e) Study on conventional disarmament: report of the Secretary-General;

(f) Military research and development: report of the Secretary-General;

(g) Review of the role of the United Nations in the field of disarmament: report of the Disarmament Commission;

(h) Prohibition of the production of fissionable material for weapons purposes: report of the Conference on Disarmament;

(i) Curbing the naval arms race: limitation and reduction of naval armaments and extension of confidence-building measures to seas and oceans: report of the Disarmament Commission;

(j) Prohibition of the development, production, stockpiling and use of radiological weapons: report of the Conference on Disarmament.

[The General Assembly decided that the relevant paragraphs of the annual report of the International Atomic Energy Agency (A/40/576), which is to be considered directly in plenary meeting under item 14, would be drawn to the attention of the First Committee in connection with its consideration of item 68.]
22. Relationship between disarmament and development (item 69):

(a) Reallocation and conversion of resources, through disarmament measures, from military to civilian purposes;

(b) Relationship between disarmament and development: report of the Secretary-General;

(c) International Conference on the Relationship between Disarmament and Development: report of the Preparatory Committee for the International Conference on the Relationship between Disarmament and Development.

23. Question of Antarctica (item 70).


25. Review of the implementation of the Declaration on the Strengthening of International Security (item 72):

(a) Report of the Security Council;

(b) Reports of the Secretary-General.


27. International co-operation in the peaceful exploitation of outer space under conditions of its non-militarization (item 145).

May I also invite your attention to the recommendations on the organization of the session, contained in section II of document A/40/250, which were approved by the General Assembly at its 3rd plenary meeting. I earnestly request your co-operation in this regard.

(Signed) Jaime de PINIES