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MEASURES TO MOBILIZE WORLD PUBLIC OPINION IN FAVOUR
OF DISARMAMENT

Note verbale dated 25 June 1982 from the Permanent Representative
of Japan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

The Permanent Representative of Japan to the United Nations presents his
compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and has the honour to
transmit herewith a working paper concerning a visit to Hiroshima and Nagasaki of
participants in the United Nations Disarmament Fellowship Programme and requests
that it be distributed as a document of the twelfth special session of the General
Assembly under agenda item 13.

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ANNEX

Visit to Hiroshima and Nagasaki of participants in the United Nations
Disarmament Fellowship Programme

Working Paper

1. In paragraph 108 of the Final Document of the tenth special session the General Assembly decided to establish a programme of fellowships on disarmament in order to "promote expertise in disarmament in more Member States, particularly in the developing countries". Pursuant to this decision, the programme was implemented for three five-month sessions between 1979 and 1981 with twenty fellows participating in each session.

2. In his statement on 9 June 1982, at the second special session of the General Assembly devoted to disarmament, Prime Minister of Japan, Zenko Suzuki, referred to the Disarmament Fellowship Programme and stated:

"Japan would also like to offer its cooperation under the United Nations disarmament fellowship program, to enable young people who will shoulder the responsibilities of the next generation, to visit Hiroshima and Nagasaki."

3. Japan believes that the curriculum of the Programme would be enriched if, as part of the Programme, participants were to visit Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Such a visit would allow them to see for themselves the consequences of nuclear explosions and to exchange views with Japanese experts.

4. For this reason, Japan would welcome a visit by the participants and one co-ordinator in the Fifth Disarmament Fellowship Programme in 1983 for about one week.

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