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Agenda item 12

ENHANCEMENT OF THE EFFECTIVENESS OF MACHINERY IN THE FIELD
OF DISARMAMENT AND STRENGTHENING OF THE ROLE OF THE UNITED
NATIONS IN THIS FIELD, INCLUDING THE POSSIBLE CONVENING OF
A WORLD DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE

Note verbale dated 25 June 1982 from the Permanent Mission of
Ireland to the United Nations addressed to the Secretariat

The Permanent Mission of Ireland to the United Nations presents its
compliments to the United Nations Secretariat and has the honour to request the
Secretariat to distribute the attached proposal as a document of the twelfth
special session of the General Assembly under agenda item 12.
ANNEX

Proposal for a limited moratorium

1. The Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and the United States of America should agree on a limited, but renewable, moratorium on the introduction of any further strategic nuclear weapons or delivery vehicles.

2. The initial agreement should be for a period of two years, during which time negotiations on the reduction of strategic nuclear weapons and their delivery vehicles should be pursued vigorously.

3. The agreement should also include an undertaking to renew the moratorium for further periods of two years if progress is being made in the negotiations.

4. The purpose of the moratorium is to ensure that:

   (a) Strategic arms negotiations will not be overtaken by the introduction of further weapons systems; and

   (b) The incentive to bring negotiations to an early and successful conclusion will be maintained.