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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 22 June 1982 from the Permanent Mission of Bangladesh
to the United Nations addressed to the Secretariat

The Permanent Mission of Bangladesh to the United Nations presents its
compliments to the Secretariat of the United Nations and has the honour to request
that the contents of the enclosed letter, relating to the composition of the
Committee on Disarmament, may please be circulated as a document of the twelfth
special session of the General Assembly under agenda item 12.
ANNEX

Letter dated 22 June 1982 from the Chargé d'Affaires of the Permanent Mission of Bangladesh to the United Nations addressed to all Permanent Representatives

During the first special session devoted to disarmament, the General Assembly underscored the necessity of revitalizing the process of disarmament and to that effect, created the Committee on Disarmament which was to function as a forum for multilateral negotiation for disarmament. At the same time, it was agreed that the composition of the Committee would be examined at regular intervals.

By its resolutions 33/91 G, 35/156 E and 36/97 J, the General Assembly decided to postpone the question of re-examining the question of the composition of the Committee until the second special session on disarmament.

The national policy of the Government of Bangladesh commits her to total and complete disarmament. It is in this context that Bangladesh has supported all previous decisions and resolutions adopted in the General Assembly and other relevant fora on the question of disarmament. Bangladesh has also taken part in various intergovernmental expert groups on disarmament matters which, inter alia, include the Group of Experts on the Economic and Social Consequences of the Arms Race. Bangladesh has also actively followed the work of the Group of Experts on the Relationship between Disarmament and Development.

It is our expectation that our desire to become a member of the Committee on Disarmament will be given sympathetic consideration so as to facilitate our admission and participation in the various negotiating processes that will be undertaken by the Committee on Disarmament in the days to come.

(Signed) Farooq SOBHAN
Acting Permanent Representative