Twelfth special session
AD HOC COMMITTEE OF THE TWELFTH
SPECIAL SESSION
Agenda items 9, 10 and 11

REVIEW OF IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS AND DECISIONS ADOPTED
BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT ITS TENTH SPECIAL SESSION

CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF THE COMPREHENSIVE
PROGRAMME OF DISARMAMENT

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECLARATION OF THE 1980s AS THE SECOND
DISARMAMENT DECADE AND CONSIDERATION OF INITIATIVES AND
PROPOSALS OF MEMBER STATES

India: draft resolution

Urgent measures for the prevention of nuclear war and for
nuclear disarmament

The General Assembly,

Reaffirming the recommendations and decisions of its First Special Session
devoted to Disarmament,

Noting with deep concern that despite efforts to attain the objectives
agreed upon at the First Special Session, the international situation has
continued to deteriorate and there has been a severe intensification of the arms
race, particularly in its nuclear aspect,

Convinced that the arms race is incompatible with the search for economic
and social development and the achievement of the New International Economic
Order,

Alarmed at the growing danger of the outbreak of nuclear war which would
have devastating consequences for all mankind and which therefore necessitates
the adoption of urgent measures to prevent such a nuclear war,
Taking note of the relevant unilateral declarations made by nuclear weapon States in this regard,

Conscious of the growing popular movements throughout the world against the testing, production, stockpiling, deployment and use of nuclear weapons,

Recognizing the right of each State to security and the need to maintain undiminished security of all States at each stage in the process of disarmament,

Convinced that real and lasting peace can only be ensured through strict observance of the principles and purposes of the Charter of the United Nations and through the effective implementation of the security system provided therein,

Emphasizing the need to establish a world order free from the use or threat of use of force against the sovereignty and territorial integrity of States, military intervention, occupation, annexation, interference in the internal affairs of States and denial of the inalienable rights to self-determination and independence of peoples and nations under colonial and alien domination in flagrant violation of the United Nations Charter,

Determined to continue negotiations on a Comprehensive Programme of Disarmament for adoption at the earliest possible time by the General Assembly as a step towards the eventual conclusion of a treaty on General and Complete Disarmament under effective international control,

Reaffirming the commitment of States to pursue efforts for the achievement of General and Complete Disarmament and to that end, to initiate new and intensity ongoing negotiations in the bilateral, regional and multilateral context, in accordance with the fundamental goals, priorities, and procedures laid down in the Final Document of the First Special Session devoted to Disarmament,

(1) Calls upon States to undertake the following urgent measures for the prevention of nuclear war and for nuclear disarmament:

(i) A Convention on the complete prohibition of the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons;

(ii) Cessation of the testing of nuclear weapons pending the conclusion of a treaty banning the testing of nuclear weapons;

(iii) A complete freeze on the development, production and deployment of nuclear weapons and their means of delivery along with a cut-off in the production of fissionable materials for weapons purposes.

(2) Decides to keep the progress in the implementation of these measures under review.
Ad Hoc Committee of the
Twelfth Special Session

Final report of the Chairman of Working Group I to
the Ad Hoc Committee of the Twelfth Special
Session of the General Assembly

1. The Preparatory Committee for the second special session devoted to
disarmament, in its report to the thirty-sixth session of the General Assembly,
inter alia, recommended the establishment of a working group on the Comprehensive
Programme of Disarmament. The General Assembly, by resolution 36/81 A of
9 December 1981, endorsed that recommendation (A/S-12/1).

2. At its second meeting, on 14 June 1982, the Ad Hoc Committee of the Twelfth
Special Session confirmed that recommendation and appointed H.E. Ambassador
Alfonso Garcia Robles (Mexico) as Chairman of Working Group I.

3. Working Group I held 4 meetings between 14 June and 7 July 1982.

4. At its first meeting, on 14 June 1982, the Working Group established four
open-ended drafting groups to proceed with the elaboration of the Comprehensive
Programme of Disarmament on the basis of the draft Programme submitted by the
Committee on Disarmament (A/S-12/2). Drafting Group A was assigned to consider
chapter II ("Objectives"); Drafting Group B was assigned to consider chapter III
("Principles"); Drafting Group C was assigned to consider sections A to E of
chapter V on "Measures and stages of implementation" ("Nuclear weapons", "Other
weapons of mass destruction", "Conventional weapons and armed forces", "Military
expenditures" and "Related measures"); and Drafting Group D was assigned to
consider the remaining sections of chapter V ("Other measures", "Disarmament and
development" and "Disarmament and international security") as well as chapter VI
("Machinery and procedures").

5. Also at its first meeting, the Working Group appointed H.E. Ambassador
François de la Gorce (France) as co-ordinator of Drafting Group A. At its second
meeting, on 15 June, the Working Group appointed H.E. Ambassador
Anatoly Nikitich Sheldov (Byelorussian SSR) as co-ordinator of Drafting Group B;
H.E. Ambassador Mansur Ahmad (Pakistan) as co-ordinator of Drafting Group C; and
H.E. Ambassador Curt Lidgard (Sweden) as co-ordinator of Drafting Group D.
6. The Chairman of the Working Group orally reported to the Ad Hoc Committee at its ninth meeting, on 28 June, on the progress of the work of the Working Group (A/S-12/AC.1/PV.9).

7. At its third meeting, on 3 July, Working Group I reviewed the work of the four drafting groups. In this connexion, the Working Group had before it texts submitted by Drafting Groups A, B and C (A/S-12/AC.1/WG.1/L.1, L.2 and L.3, respectively). The co-ordinator of Drafting Group D orally reported to the Working Group on the work of that Group.

8. Also, at the Working Group's third meeting, one delegation proposed an amendment to paragraph 2 of chapter IV ("Priorities") of the draft Comprehensive Programme of Disarmament submitted by the Committee on Disarmament, which was referred to Drafting Group C in view of the close relationship between the substance of the amendment and that of the work of the Drafting Group. The Drafting Group decided to include the proposed amendment in the chapter on "Priorities" between brackets.*

9. In the four Drafting Groups, intensive efforts were made with a view to achieving agreement on the sections of the Comprehensive Programme of Disarmament assigned to them. Drafting Group A held three meetings, Drafting Group B ten meetings, Drafting Group C twelve meetings and Drafting Group D nineteen meetings. In addition, informal consultations were held under the guidance of the Co-ordinators of the Drafting Groups. Progress was achieved on a number of issues, particularly those concerning the chapter on "Objectives" and, to a lesser extent, the chapter on "Principles". However, significant differences of opinion persisted on various aspects of the Programme, notably the chapter on "Measures and stages of implementation". With respect to the question of time frames and review mechanism, informal consultations were held under the guidance of the Chairman of the Working Group but, while some progress was achieved and promising approaches were explored, it did not prove possible to reconcile divergent views.

10. At its 4th meeting, on 7 July, the Working Group had before it a draft of the Introduction prepared by the Chairman (A/S-12/AC.1/WG.1/L.5).

11. Also at its 4th meeting, the Working Group considered the results of the work in the four Drafting Groups. In that connexion, the Working Group had before it, in addition to the texts submitted earlier by Drafting Groups A, B and C (see para. 7 above), a text submitted by Drafting Group D (A/S-12/AC.1/WG.1/L.4), a text submitted by the co-ordinator of Drafting Group D (A/S-12/AC.1/WG.1/L.4) and additions and amendments to document A/S-12/AC.1/WG.1/L.3 (A/S-12/AC.1/WG.1/L.3/Add.1).

* With the proposed amendment paragraph 2 of chapter IV of the draft Comprehensive Programme of Disarmament submitted by the Committee on Disarmament would read "Effective measures of nuclear disarmament [which maintain or enhance security] and the prevention of nuclear war ...".
12. Working Group I submits to the Ad Hoc Committee, for its consideration, the texts that appear below:

Texts for the draft Comprehensive Programme of Disarmament
Submitted by Working Group I