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AD HOC COMMITTEE OF THE TENTH
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Agenda item 11

ADOPTION OF A PROGRAMME OF ACTION ON DISARMAMENT

Letter dated 20 June 1978 from the President of the World Food Council
to the Secretary-General

I am pleased to convey to you herewith the text of the Mexico Declaration
which was agreed upon by all member nations represented at the Fourth
Ministerial Session of the World Food Council which concluded last Wednesday,
14 June, in Mexico City.

The Declaration contains the decisions and programmes of action arrived
at by the Council to implement the Manila Communiqué, which was adopted by the
General Assembly at its last session.

I have been asked by the Council to invite your attention, in particular,
to the resolution on disarmament contained in the Preamble of the Mexico
Declaration. The Council would request that Your Excellency bring this resolution
to the attention of the General Assembly and circulate it as a document of the
tenth special session under agenda item 11.

We will formally report on the results of the Council's meeting to the
General Assembly at its thirty-third session. 1/

(Signed) Arturo R. TAMCO, Jr.
President

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1/ The report of the World Food Council will be issued as
(A/33/19).
ANNEX

Excerpt from the Preamble of the Mexico Declaration adopted by the Fourth Ministerial Session of the World Food Council at its 6th meeting, on 14 June 1978

Noting that the special session of the General Assembly devoted to disarmament is taking place simultaneously with the meeting of the World Food Council, the Council fully supports the appeal made by President José López Portillo of Mexico for hunger not to be considered as a matter of exclusive concern to the hungry and that the prospects for development of the non-industrialized countries should be improved; and bearing in mind, inter alia resolution XIV of the World Food Conference, a/ the Council reiterates the necessity of allocating a share of resources which would be freed, as a result of the reduction of military expenditures, to finance the measures directed to advancing the development of the developing countries, especially their food situation.

a/ See Report of the World Food Conference, Rome, 5-16 November 1974 (United Nations publication, Sales No. 75.II.A.3), part one, chap. II.