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CESSATION OF ALL NUCLEAR-TEST EXPLOSIONS

AMENDMENT OF THE TREATY **BANNING** NUCLEAR WEAPON TESTS IN THE
ATMOSPHERE, IN OUTER SPACE AND UNDER WATER

Letter dated 5 April 1989 from the representatives of Indonesia,
Mexico, Peru, Sri Lanka, Venezuela and Yugoslavia to the United
Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

By its resolution **42/26 B** of 30 November 1987, the **General Assembly recommended** that "the non-nuclear-weapon States parties to the Treaty Banning Nuclear Weapon Tests in the Atmosphere, in Outer Space and Under Water formally submit an amendment proposal to the depositary Governments with a view to convening a conference at the earliest possible date to consider amendments to the **Treaty** that would convert it into a comprehensive nuclear-test-ban treaty".

Pursuant to that recommendation, the **representatives** of the six undersigned parties to the Treaty formally submitted an amendment proposal to the three depositary Governments in August 1988.

By its resolution **43/63 B** of 7 December 1988, the General Assembly welcomed that action.

We have the honour to report that over 39 States **have** now formally requested that, in accordance with article II of the Treaty, a conference of all the parties be convened to consider such amendment. The list of these parties is set forth in the annex hereto. This constitutes over one third of the parties to the Treaty, thereby making the convening of such a conference mandatory.

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We anticipate that additional parties to the Treaty will be making similar requests. We are convinced that the convening of the amendment conference will be a useful and positive step in our common endeavour to promote the cause of disarmament and peace.

We would be grateful if this letter and its annex could be circulated as an official document of the General Assembly under items 50 and 51 of the preliminary list.

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ANNEX

List of States requesting the convening of a conference of States Parties to the Treaty Banning Nuclear Weapon Tests in the Atmosphere, in Outer Space and Under Water to consider converting the Treaty into a comprehensive nuclear-test-ban treaty

(as at 5 April 1989)

Bahamas	Malaysia
Bangladesh	Mexico
Bolivia	Mongolia
Bulgaria	Nepal
Costa Rica	Nicaragua
Cyprus	Nigeria
Democratic <i>Yemen</i>	Panama
Dominican Republic	Papua New Guinea
Ecuador	Peru
Egypt	Philippines
German Democratic Republic	Romania
Ghana	Sri Lanka
Guatemala	Sudan
Honduras	Thailand
India	Togo
Indonesia	United Republic of Tanzania
Iraq	Veneaele
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	Yugoslavia
Jordan	Zaire
Liberia	Zambia