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ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT ITS TENTH SPECIAL SESSIONLetter dated 16 June 1989 from the Permanent Representative  
of Mongolia to the United Nations addressed to the  
Secretary-General

Pursuant to paragraph 3 of General Assembly resolution **43/78 L** of 7 December **1988**, I have the honour to enclose the views of the Government of the Mongolian People's Republic regarding the proclamation of the 1990s as the Third Disarmament Decade.

I should be grateful if you would have the text circulated as an official document of the General Assembly under **item** 66 of the preliminary list,

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ANNEX

Views of the Government Mongolian People's Republic which  
could be taken into account in elaborating the concepts and  
purposes of the Third Disarmament Decade

I. The international situation

In this place, the General Assembly could bear in mind the following points :

1. The overall international **situation** promises to be on the whole **more** favourable than in previous decades, This is due in part to the following **factors**:

The first step has already been taken in the limitation of nuclear missiles as a **move** in the direction of nuclear disarmament, The Treaty between the Soviet Union and the United **States** on the Elimination of Their Intermediate-Range and Shorter-Range Missiles based on land is being **successfully** implemented)

There **are** encouraging **signs of** agreements being reached on a substantial reduction in the strategic strike weapons **of** the Union **of** Soviet Socialist Republics and the United **States** of America, on **the** complete prohibition and elimination of chemical weapons and on the reduction **of** conventional armaments and armed forces in **Europe**. In particular, it is apparent that the views of the NATO and Warsaw Treaty Organisation member countries on the **latter** subject are **moving** closer together]

The unilateral steps taken **by** the USSR and the other socialist countries towards a substantial reduction of **their** **armed** forces and **armaments** greatly facilitate the strengthening and development of **initiative** conducive to the attainment of **disarmament objectives**;

**The** policy **of** peaceful Settlement of regional **crises** is becoming increasingly widely applied, and this is conducive to the improvement of the situation world-wide;

There is growing awareness among the international community of the **terrible** threat to the existence **of** mankind in the nuclear age, and also of the imperatives **of** the growing interdependence of countries and peoples in the cause of saving **civilization on earth**;

Because of this, the new thinking in the approach to the solution of **world** problems in the **interests** of mankind as a whole is attracting increasingly wide support;

The peace-making activity of the United Nations has been increasingly strengthened, and there is a **growing** need for it to play a **central** role in disarmament issues as the only unique international forum capable of striking a balance between the legitimate interests of all.

2. On the other hand, **the** need to strengthen the effort to attain the objectives of disarmament **stems from** the following **factors**:

The existence of a vast arsenal of weapons, especially weapons of **mass** destruction, continues to constitute a serious threat to universal peace and **security**;

The continuing technological improvement of both nuclear missiles and conventional weapons makes this disquieting situation still **more** disturbing;

The lack of political will to solve **disarmament** problems in **certain** quarters and their insistence **on** the concept of "nuclear deterrence" and on the modernization of certain types of nuclear-missile weapons constitute a **serious** obstacle to progress in arms limitation and disarmament.

## II. Aims and objectives of the Decade

In the view of the Government of the Mongolian People's Republic, the main aims and objectives of the Third Disarmament Decade should include, inter alia, the following :

1. To promote the laying of the foundations **for a** nuclear-free and non-violent world based **on** the principles of the Charter of the United Nations and to draw up a programme for universal and complete disarmament under strict international control on the basis of the fundamental principles of the Final Document of the first special session of the General Assembly devoted to disarmament.

2. To implement a stage-by-stage programme of nuclear disarmament leading to the complete elimination of nuclear weapons in the near future. To this end, provision would have to be made for

The conclusion of a treaty between the Soviet Union and the United States on a radical reduction of their strategic offensive weapons, accompanied by a strengthening of the **régime** of the 1972 Treaty between the United States of America and the Union of **Soviet** Socialist Republics on the Limitation of Anti-Ballistic **Missile Systems**;

The initiation of talks on the further reduction of nuclear arsenals, with the participation of all the nuclear **Powers**;

The conclusion of a complete and comprehensive nuclear-test-ban agreement;

The strengthening of **the régime** for the non-proliferation of nuclear weapons;

The expansion of **nuclear-free zones in** the various regions.

3. To conclude **an** agreement on the prohibition and complete elimination of chemical weapons.
4. To prevent an arms race in outer space.
5. To effect a radical reduction in **conventional** armaments and armed forces on the basis of the concept of reasonable sufficiency for defence purposes,
6. To adopt **concrete** measures **for** the implementation **of** the action programme adopted in 1987 **at** the International Conference **on the** Relationship between Disarmament and Development,
7. To implement economic conversion **as** an inseparable component of the disarmament process.

### I I I . Mechanisms

#### Provision should be made for:

1. Practical measures to enhance the effectiveness of United Nations activity **in** the field **of** disarmament, as well as of the **work** of the Disarmament Commission.
2. The convening in 1995 **of** a special session of the General Assembly devoted to disarmament.
3. Effective measures **to mobilize** world public opinion in **support of** disarmament. In particular, **provision** should **be** made **for** the continuation **of** such measures as the World **Disarmament** Campaign and **Disarmament** Week.
4. Concrete measures for the broader encouragement of the efforts and enhancement of the influence of non-governmental organisations and society aimed at promoting the objectives of disarmament.

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