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LETTER DATED 27 MARCH 1997 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF EGYPT ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT TRANSMITTING A WORKING PAPER FOR A POSSIBLE MANDATE OF AN AD-HOC COMMITTEE ON NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT

Bearing in mind the highest priority attached to nuclear disarmament as reflected in SSOD I, and with reference to document CD/1388 dated 14 March 1996 concerning the proposal submitted by the G.21 for the establishment of an Ad-hoc Committee on nuclear disarmament, please find attached a Working Paper submitted by the Delegation of Egypt for a possible mandate of an Ad-hoc Committee on nuclear disarmament.

I would be grateful if you would issue this Working Paper as an official document of the Conference on Disarmament.

(Signed) : Ambassador Mounir Zahran

## Working Paper submitted by Egypt

## Draft mandate for an Ad-hoc Committee on nuclear disarmament

The Conference decides to establish an Ad-hoc Committee under agenda item 1 on nuclear disarmament to commence negotiations on a phased programme of nuclear disarmament for the complete elimination of nuclear weapons and on a convention on the prohibition of the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons and nuclear explosive devices taking into account the report of the special coordinator on this item (CD/1299) and the views relating to the scope of the treaty.

In discharging its function, the Ad-hoc Committee will take into account the Proposal for a Programme of Action for the Elimination of Nuclear Weapons submitted by 28 members of the Conference belonging to the Group of 21 (CD/1419) as well as any other existing proposals and future initiatives in this regard.