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## **CHINA**

Draft decision on the re-establishment of an ad hoc committee on the prevention of an arms race in outer space and its mandate:

- 1. The Conference on Disarmament decides to reestablish under item 3 of its agenda entitled "Prevention of an arms race in outer space" an ad hoc committee which shall negotiate and conclude an international legal instrument banning the test, deployment and use of any weapons, weapon systems and their components in outer space, with a view to preventing the weaponization of outer space.
- 2. In carrying out its mandate, the ad hoc committee shall take into consideration all relevant proposals present and future and report to the Conference on the progress of its work before the conclusion of the 1999 session.

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