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Appointment of the members of the Preparatory Committee for the International Conference on the Relationship between

Disarmament and Development

Note by the Secretary-General

- 1. In paragraph 3 of resolution 39/160 of 17 December 1984, the General Assembly decided to establish a Preparatory Committee for the International Conference on the Relationship between Disarmament and Development, composed of 54 members appointed by the President of the Assembly.
- 2. In that connection, the Secretary-General has received from the President of the General Assembly the following communication, dated 8 July 1985:

"I have the honour to refer to General Assembly resolution 39/160 of 17 December 1984, regarding the establishment of a Preparatory Committee for the International Conference on the Relationship between Disarmament and Development. The Preparatory Committee is to be composed of 54 members and to have the mandate of formulating and submitting, by consensus, to the General Assembly at its fortieth session, recommendations as to the provisional agenda, procedure, place, date and duration of the Conference. I also refer to the decision of the Assembly, taken at its 105th plenary meeting, on 18 December 1984 (see A/39/PV.105) to entrust its President with the task of appointing the members of the Committee.

"During my consultations with the Chairmen of the regional groups, I conveyed to them the recommendation made by the Chairman of the First Committee that the membership of the Preparatory Committee should conform to the considerations followed in the composition of the Economic and Social Council. It was my understanding that the nominations should conform to the following pattern:

Africa	14		
Asia	11		
Eastern Europe	6		
Latin America			
Western European and other States	13		

"Following my consultations with the Chairmen of the regional groups, I hereby appoint the following countries to be members of the Preparatory Committee:

		Eastern	<u>Latin</u>	Western European
Africa	Asia	Europe	America	and other States
(12)	(11)	(6)	(10)	(13)
Cameroon	Afghanistan	Bulgaria	Argentina	Australia
Congo	Bangladesh	Czechoslovakia	Bahamas	Austria
Ghana	China	German	Bolivia	Canada
Kenya	India	Democratic	Brazil	France
Nigeria	Indonesia	Republic	Colombia	Germany, Federal
Rwanda	Iran (Islamic	Romania	Cuba	Republic of
Senegal	Republic of	Union of Soviet	Jamaica	Greece
Sudan	Mongolia	Socialist	Mexico	Italy
Swaziland	Pakistan	Republics	Uruguay	Netherlands
Togo	Philippines	Yugoslavia	Venezuela	Norway
Uganda	Sri Lanka			Portugal
Zambia	Syrian Arab			Spain
	Republic			Sweden
				United Kingdom of
				Great Britain
				and Northern
				Ireland

"In the course of my consultations, the Eastern European Group emphasized that its nomination of the six countries listed above did not imply its recognition of the so-called Economic and Social Council formula for the distribution of seats in the Preparatory Committee and that this case should not create a precedent for future decisions on the composition of such disarmament bodies.

"Regarding the two remaining seats to be filled from the African Group, it is my intention to appoint them as soon as candidates are nominated by the Group."

3. As a result of the above appointment, the Preparatory Committee is composed of the following members:

Afghanistan, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bahamas, Bangladesh, Bolivia, Brazil, Bulgaria, Cameroon, Canada, China, Colombia, Congo, Cuba, Czechoslovakia, France, German Democratic Republic, Germany, Federal Republic of, Ghana, Greece, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Italy, Jamaica, Kenya, Mexico, Mongolia, Netherlands, Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Philippines, Portugal, Romania, Rwanda, Senegal, Spain, Sri Lanka, Syrian Arab Republic, Sudan, Swaziland, Sweden, Togo, Uganda, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Uruguay, Venezuela, Yugoslavia and Zambia.