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## GENERAL AND COMPLETE DISARMAMENT

Notification of nuclear testsNote by the Secretary-General

## I. INTRODUCTXON

1. On 30 **November** 1987, the General Assembly adopted reoolution **42/38 C**, the operative part of which **reads** as **follows**:

"The General Assembly,

"1. Calls upon all States to comply with resolution **41/59 N**;

"2. Again urges each of **the Ststes** conducting nuclear explosions to provide to the Secretary-General within **one week of each** nuclear explosion such data referred to in paragraph 1 of **resolution 41/59 N** as they **may have** available ;

"3. Invites all other States to provide to the Secretary-General any such data on nuclear explosions they may have **available**;

"4. Requests the Socrotary-General to **make** this information **immediately** available to **all Member** States and to submit to the General Assembly annually a register of the information provided on nuclear explosions during the **preceding** twelve months, "

2. Pursuant to paragraph 4 **of** the resolution, the relevant information received **from** two States **Members** - the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and New Zealand during the preceding 12 months (15 September 1987-14 September 1988) **is** reproduced in **section II** of the present note in **the** form of an annual register,

\* A/43/150.

3. The information presented in **section II** was **previously** circulated in documents A/43/152 and Add.1-6.

## II, ANNUAL REGISTER

### Information provided by States

#### UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS

1. On 13 December 1987, at 6.20 a.m. Moscow time, an underground nuclear explosion with a yield of from 20 to 150 kiloton8 was conducted at a test site in the region of Semipalatinsk. The purpose of thlr test was to improve military technology,

2, On 20 December 1987, at 6 a.m. Moscow time, an underground nuclear explosion with a yield not excooding 20 kilotons was conducted at a teat alto in the region of Semipalatinsk,

The abovo-montionod tort was conducted with a view to verifying the results of research into nuclear-oxplorion physics.

3. On 27 Docombor 1987, at 6.05 a.m. Moscow time, an underground nuclear explosion with a yield of from 20 to 150 kiloton8 was conducted in the Soviet Union at a test site in the region of Semipalatinsk.

The abovo-mentioned test wan conducted with a viov to improving military technology.

4, On 6 Fobruary 1988, at 7.20 a.m. Moscow timo, an undorground nuclear explosion with a yoid not excooding 20 kilotons was conducted in the Soviet Union at a test site in the region of Semipalatinsk.

The abovo-montionod tort was conducted with a viov to verifying the results of research into nuclear-oxplo8ion physics.

5, On 13 February 1988, at 6.05 a.m. Moscow timo, an underground nuclear explosion with a yield of from 20 to 150 kilotons was conducted in the Soviet Union at a test site in the region of Semipalatinsk.

The above-mentioned test war conducted with a viov to improving military technology.

6. On 3 April, at 5.35 a.m. Mbscow timo, an underground nuclear explosion with a yield of from 20 to 150 kiloton8 wao conducted in tho Soviet Union at a test site in the region of Semipalatinsk.

The above-mentioned tort was conducted with a viov to improving military technology,

7. On 22 April 1988, at 1.30 p.m. MOSCOW time, an underground **nuclear** explosion with a **yield not** exceeding 20 kilotons was conducted in the Soviet Union at a **test** site in the region **of** Semipalatinsk,

The above-mentioned **test** was conducted with a view to verifying the results of research on the **physics** of nuclear **explosions**.

8. On 4 May 1988, at 5 a.m. Moscow time, an underground nuclear explosion with a yield **of** from 23 to 150 **kilotons** was conducted in **the** Soviet Union at a test **site** in **the** region **of** Semipalatinsk.

The above-mentioned **test was** conducted with a view to improving military technology,

9. On 8 May 1988, at 2.50 a.m. Moscow time, an underground **nuclear** explosion with a yield of *from 20* to 150 kilotons was conducted **in the** Soviet Union at a test site in the region of the Novaya **Zemlya islands**.

The above-mentioned test **was conducted** with a view to improving military technology.

10. On 14 June 1988, at 6.30 a.m. Moscow time, an underground nuclear explosion with a **yield** not exceeding 20 kilotons was **conducted in the** Soviet Union at a test site in the **region of** Semipalatinsk,

The above-mentioned test was conducted **with a** view to improving military technology,

11. On 22 August 1988, at 8.20 p.m. Moscow time, an underground nuclear explosion with a **yield** not exceeding 20 kilotons was conducted in the Soviet Union in the Tyumen region,

The **above-mentioned** test was conducted in the interests of the national **economy**,

12. On 6 September 1988, at 8.20 p.m. Moscow time, an underground nuclear **explosion with** a yield **of from** 5 to 20 kilotons was conducted in the Soviet Union in **the** Arkhangelsk **region**,

The **above-mentioned** test was conducted in **the interests** of the national **economy**,

NEW ZEALAND

Data on nuclear explosions at Mururoa Atoll, 1987

Graphic co-ordinates: 21°50'S latitude  
138°55'W longitude

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u> <u>(New Zealand</u> <u>standard time)</u>	<u>Yield estimate</u> <u>(kilotons)</u>
<b>6 May</b>	<b>0458</b> hours	<b>5</b>
21 May	<b>0505</b>	<b>30</b>
7 June	<b>0600</b>	<b>3</b>
22 June	<b>0555</b>	15
24 October	<b>0450</b>	<b>50</b>
<b>6 November</b>	<b>0530</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>20 November</b>	<b>0431</b>	<b>60</b>
<b>30 November</b>	0559	<b>3</b>

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