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United Nations disarmament fellowship, training and advisory services programme

Report of the Secretary-General

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I. INTRODUCTION

1. The General Assembly, at its forty-second session, adopted rorolution 42/39 I of 30 November 1987, • ntitled "United Nation8 programme of fellowships on disarmament". The operative paragraph8 of that rorolution road in part as follows:

"The General Assembly,

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- "1. Reaffirm 8 it 8 decisions contained in annex IV to the Concluding Document of the Twelfth Special Session of the General Assembly and the report of the Secretary-General 1/approved by rorolution 33/71 E of 14 December 1978;
- "2. Requests the Secretary-General to implement the United Nations programme offellowships on disarmament, including the advirory services and training programmes, within existing resources;

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- "5. Decides to rename the three programmes consolidated purruant to paragraph 3 of resolution 40/151 H 'the United Nation8 disarmament frllowahip, training and advisory services programme';
- "6. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its forty-third session on his assessment of the operations of the programme.

2. The present report is **submitted** by the **Secretary-General** purruant to paragraph 6 of the rerolution.

II. ORGANIZATION OF THE DISARMAMENT FELLOWSHIP, TRAINING AND ADVISORYSERVICESPROGRAMME

3. The relevant information relating to the organization, including the guidelines and method of work, of the disarmament fellowship, training and advisory services programme can be found in (a) the report of the Secretary-General to the thirty-third session (A/33/305), approved by the General Assembly in its rerolution 33/71 E of 14 December 1978; (b) the report of the Secretary-General to the fortieth session (A/40/816), paragraphs 3-5, 8-11 and 27; (c) rorolution 40/151 H of 13 December 19851 and (d) resolution 42/39 I of 30 November 1987. In its revolution 42/39 I, the Assembly also decided to rename the three programmes, consolidated purruant to paragraph 3 of revolution 40/151 H. "the United Nations disarmament fellowship, training and advisory services programme". The programme, which is attached to the Office of the Under-Secretary-General for Disarmament Affairs, was transferred to Geneva at the Palais des Nations a8 at May 1988.

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1988 DISARMAMENT FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMME III.

A. General

The 1988 programme started at Geneva at the Palais des Nations on 15 July 1988 and will end in Now York at United Nation8 Headquarters on 23 November 1988.

B. Selection of 1988 disarmament fellows

- Twenty-five disarmament fellows were selected in 1988 by the Secretary-General with the assistance of a selection panel, which met in June 1988.
- The names and nationalities of the 25 disarmament fellows who were selected are a8 follows:

2.	LtCol, Hermann LOIDOLT	Austria
3.	Ms. Marcia DONNER ABREU	Brazil
4.	Mr, Krassimir I, STANKOV	Bulgaria
5.	Mr. Thant KYAW	Burma
6.	Mr. Shan HUA	China
7.	Mr. Stefan FULE	Czechoslovakia
8.	Mr. Khaled W. SARWAT	Egypt
9.	Mr. <i>Stsfan</i> SCHNEIDER	Germany, Federal Republic of
10.	Mr. Mohamed M. OULD EL GHAOUTH	Mauritania
11	Mr. James J. HENNESSY	Ireland
12.	Mrs. Rosemary W. NDEGWA	Kenya
13.	Mr. Rida M.EL FASSI	Morocco
14.	Mr. Simoes K. SITHOLA	Mozambique
15,	Mr, Yug Nath Sharma PAUDEL	Nepal
16,	Mr, Ali ILLIASSOU	Niger

Argenti na

Pakistan

Peru

Poland

Senegal

Sı ı Lanka

Venezuela

Thai land

Uganda

Yemen

Mr. Cesar COLY 20. 21. Miss Pamela JAYASEKERA Miss Dusadee SANGUANSOOK 2.2.

Mr. Manuel E. LOYOLA SOTIL

Mr. M.A. Mateen KHAN

Mr. Martin GOMEZ BUSTILLO

23. Mr, Edward KAMURASI KAPIRIISA

24. Mr. Carlos PESTANA 25.

Mr. Witold KARP

Mr. Ali AL GHAFFARI

C. Geneva part of the programme

The opening session of the programme at Geneva was addressed by the Under-Secretary-General for Disarmament Affairs, th8 Secretary-General of the Conference on Disarmament, the Director-General of the United Nations Office at Geneva and representatives of Nigeria, Sweden, Hungary, the Federal Republic of Germany, Japan, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and the United States of

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America. In the course of the programme, 24 ambassadors to the Conference On Dirarmament and reveral other • xpertr on disarmament gave lectures to the fellows. Lecture were also given by senior staff from the Department for Disarmament Affairs, including the Senior Co-ordinator of the programme. The Sonior Co-ordinator also acted as the chairman/moderator of the various lectures and discussions.

8. The Geneva programme, which covered practically every aspect of disarmament and security, included lectures on disarmament issues, both in their historical context and a8 the rubject of current deliberations and negotiations, and seminars covering selected issues, as well as fallowing the deliberation8 of the Conference on Disarmament. The relevant information on some of the specific disarmament topic8 covered can be found in th8 report of the Secretary-General 10 the forty-eecond session (A/42/693, para. 9).

D. Study visit to the International Atomic Energy Agency at Vienna

9. The fellows visited the headquarters of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) at Vienna and attended briefings or lectures on the following topics: IAEA - what it is and its history; IAEA in the United Nations system; legal basis for international safequards, including mechanisms for international co-operation; the IAEA nuclear safety programme! the IAEA Inspectorate; the nuclear energy situation; visit to the IAEA Seibersdort Laboratory) screening of the film For the benefit of humanity; the application of radiation and isotopes in agriculture; and the application of radiation and isotopes in medicine. The opening session of the study visit to IAEA war addressed by the Director-General of IAEA.

E. Study visits at the invitation of Governments of States Members of the United Nations

1. General

10. This year, the Department for Disarmament Affair8 received letters from six Member State8 (Hungary, Germany, Fedaral Republic of, Jap. 1, Sweden, Union of Soviet Socialist Republic8 and United Stat.08 of America) inviting participants in the 1988 programme to visit their countries in order to rtudy their policies and activities in the field of arm8 limitation and disarmement. Following receipt of letters of invitation, the Senior Co-ordinator of the programme prepared, in consultation with the six inviting Governments, programme' of studies for the visits of the fellows to the six countries. The opportunities offered were deemed to contribute to the fulfilment of the overall objectives of the programme and wore accepted on that basis. The caestions covered during the study visits are the subject of current deliberation8 and negotiation8 at the United Nations and the Conference on Disarmament. These visits, organised in a generous and efficient manner by the host Governments, provided the fellow8 with additional sources of information as well as practical knowledge.

2. Countries visited

In the various countries extending an invitation, the fellow8 visited the following places and institutions: (a) Germany, Federal Republic of - the Federal Foreign Off ice, the German Society for Foreign Policy, the Federal Armed Forces NBC Defence Science Agency at Münster, tire incineration plant and the ordinance disposal facilities in Münster; (b) Hungary - thr Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the National Peace Council, and the Paks Atomic Energy Station; (c) Japan - the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Hiroshima (especially the showing o f the film Hiroshima - A Document of Atomic Bombing, the meeting with scholars and atomic bomb survivors, the Peace Memorial Museum and the Atomic Bomb Hospital) and Nagasaki (especially the showing of a film on the atomic bombing of Nagaraki, mooting with atomic bomb survivors and medical doctors, the Atomic Bomb Museum and thr Megumi-no-oka (Hill of Grace) Atomic Bomb Victim8 Nursing Home); (d) Sweden the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the National Defence Reraarch Institute (FOA), the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute, the FOA Section for Radiation Detection at Ursvik, and FOA Division for Seismological Detection at Stockholm; (e) Union of Soviet Socialist Republics - the USSR Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Institute of the United States of America and Canada of the USSR Academy of Science;, the Inrtitute of World Economy and International Relations, the Inotitute of Oriental Studies, thr Institute of European Studier, the United Nation8 Association of the USSR and the Byelorussian Ministry of Foreign Affairs; (f) United States of America - before the end of the 1988 programme, the fellows will visit the Arm8 Control and Disarmament Agency, the State Department, the National Security Council, the Department of Defense, the Georgetown University Center for Strategic and International Studies, and the Brooking8 Inetitute.

F. New York part of the programme

- 12, This part of the programme is taking place during the forty-third session of the General Assembly and will end by 23 November 1988.
- 13. The New York programme of lecturer and seminars includes discussion of the following topics: all the agenda item8 allocated to the First Committee of the General Assembly; procedures and practices of the General Assembly; disarmament and development; the World Disarmament Campaign; the results of the third special session of the General Assembly devoted to disarmament; evaluation of selected draft resolution8 on dirarmament and security submitted to the General Assembly; simulation xsrcirerr the role of the United Nation8 in the maintenance of international peace and security; and United Nations peace-keeping operations,

G. Research projects and papers

14, Research work is an essential and integral part of the programme of studies. The follows prepared and submitted 25 written papers of 15 to 20 pages each on a variety of disarmament and security matters. Later, discussions were hold with the follows on the papers prepared by them, In addition to the research papers, the fellows made oral presentations on a wide range of disarmament subjects.

- IV, IMPLEMENTATION **OF THE** REGIONAL DISARMAMENT TRAINING **PROGRAMME:** INFORMATION **NOTE BY THE** SECRETARY-GENERAL (in accordance with paragraph **2 of Assembly** revolution **42/39** I)
- A. Modalities for implementation of regional disarmament training
- 15. The modalities for the regional disarmament training programme as contained in document A/41/720 make clear that it should be organised annually in each region, on a rotation basis, for up to 15 government officials for a period not to exceed one week, taking into account that the Governments concerned would be proceed to make contributions towards the costs.
- 16. In this connection, in addition to the limited resources provided by the General Assembly, a Government in the region concorned will be expected to act as host when the regional disarmament training takes place in that particular region.
- 17, Other interested Government8 could make contribution8 a8 appropriate towards the costs of thr annual regional diearmament training,

B. Objectives o f the regional disarmament training programme

16. The main objective of thr training programme is to provide assistance to the Governments of the regions concerned, through the organization of training courses at the regional or subregional level, in co-operation with the Governments and intergovernmental organizations concerned, for the benefit of government officials, whose duties involve the implementation of arms limitation and disarmament measures, as well as to promote a better understanding and awareness in the region of the international and regional machinery for the promotion of disarmament efforts and regional security.

C. Course programme

- 19. The course programme will include the following subjects, amongst others:
- (a) Role of the United Nations in the field of disarmament and multilateral systems for the promotion of disarmament;
- (b) Existing major treaties in the field of disarmament (e.g. Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons, etc.);
 - (c) Nuclear disarmament (mulilateral/bilateral negotiations);
 - (d) Verification of disarmament agreements;
 - (e) Conventional weapons and regional approaches to conventional disarmament;

- (f) Disarmament and development, economic and social consequences of the arms race, arms transfers, arms production, including an area case-study;
 - (g) The role of public opinion in support of disarmament efforts.
 - V. IMPLEMENTATION OF DISARMAMENT ADVISORY SERVICESS INFORMATION NOTE OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL (in accordance with paragraph 2 of Assembly resolution 42/39 I)

A. Objectives of disarmament advisory services

- 20. Disarmament advirory services are geared towards the furtherance of international co-operation through assistance to Member States, especially the developing countries, in order to strengthen their capacity to participate in and contribute to dirarmament effortr.
- 21. More specifically, disarmament advirory services will focus on the provision of practical assistance to those States or groups of States which wirh, for example, to elaborate either bilateral or regional agreement8 in the area of disarmament or confidence-building.

B. Policies relating to the provision of disarmament advisory services

- 22. The Secretary-General will provide **disarmament** advirory **services** in accordance with the policies established by the General **Assembly** in paragraph 4 of its resolution **40/151 H.**
 - C. Responsibility of Governments and intergovernmental organizations
 - 1 . Requesting Governments and intergovernmental organizations
- 23. The responsibility of the requesting Governments and intergovernmental organisations shall be governed by the principles contained in paragraphs 33 and 34 of A/41/720.

2. Other interested Governments

24. Other interested Governments could make contributions as appropriate towards the cost of carrying out requests for disarmament advisory services.

VI. CONCLUDINGREMARKS

25, This year marks the tenth anniversary of the United Nations disarmament fellowship programme. The programme has, in the 10 years since its launching by

the General Assembly at the first special session devoted to dixarmamrnt, made a significant and useful contribution to the development of greater expertise in disarmament and security issues. As rhown in the present report, the General Assembly has expanded the activities of the programme considerably and renamed it the United Nation8 disarmament fellowship, training and advisory services programme. Consequently, the existing resources allocated to the programme by the twelfth special session of the Assembly will be required for its implementation.
