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Agenda item 60 (d)****REVIEW OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS AND DECISIONS
ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT ITS TENTH SPECIAL SESSION****Advisory Board on Disarmament Matters****Report of the Secretary-General**

1. Pursuant to section III of **General Assembly resolution 37/99 K** of 13 December 1982, the Advisory Board has the following **functions**:

(a) To advise the Secretary-General on **various** aspects of studies and research in the area of **arms** limitation and disarmament **carried out** under the auspices of the United Nations or institutions within the United Nations **system**, in particular on **the** integration of a programme of such studies with a comprehensive programme of disarmament, once **this** had been established;

(b) To serve **as** the **Board** of Trustees of the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research (**UNIDIR**);

(c) To advise the Secretary-General on the implementation of the World Disarmament Campaign²

(d) At the specific invitation of the Secretary-General, to provide him with advice on other matters within the area of disarmament and **arms** limitation.

2. In resolution **38/183 0** of 20 December 1983, the General Assembly, **inter alia**, requested the Secretary-General to report annually on the **work** of the *Advisory* Board on Disarmament Studies. In 1989, the Secretary-General decided to *make* a number of changes in the functioning of the **Board**, so as to facilitate a **broader** interpretation of the Board's existing mandate and to permit the Secretary-General to draw on the accumulated experience and wisdom of the Board for advice **on matters** within the area of arms limitation and disarmament. The title of the Board was also modified to "Advisory Board on Disarmament Matters".

3. The **Board** held **its** twenty-first session from 19 to 24 July in New York, under the chairmanship of Ambassador Ryukichi Imai of Japan. The chairmanship of the Board **rotates annually**. The present membership of the Board is shown in the annex. The terms of **office of the members** will run to 31 December 1990.

4. The **Board was informed of the status** of a number of recently completed or ongoing **studies on disarmament issues being carried out by groups of experts** on behalf of the Secretary-General. With the exception of the study on **ways and means of promoting transparency in international transfers of conventional arms**, the report on which will be made to the **General Assembly** at its forty-sixth session, in 1991, the other reports are due to be submitted to the Assembly at **its forty-fifth session**.

5. The Board's deliberations on the subject of the **implementation** of the World **Disarmament** Campaign are reflected in the Secretary-General's report on the implementation of the **programme** of activities of the Campaign in 1990 (A/45/565). In its capacity as Board of **Trustees of UNIDIR** the **Advisory Board** considered and approved the report of the **Director of UNIDIR** on the Institute's activities in **1989/90** and the **research** programme and proposed annual budget for 1991. An **account** of the Board's deliberations is contained in document **A/45/392**, annex II, including **the Board's recommendation of a subvention from the regular budget of the United Nations** amounting to \$220,000 **for** 1991. The Board **emphasized** the importance of continuing **in the future** the annual subvention **from the regular budget of the United Nations** and the need **to maintain the other support arrangements** at their current level.

6. **Meeting** in closed informal session, the Board discussed the implications for **the United Nations** in the area of security, **arms** limitation and disarmament of **the** developments and changes in the international situation that have occurred in recent months. The nature of the Board's discussions was subsequently reflected, in response to the Secretary-General's request, **in a personal report to him by the Chairman**.

ANNEX

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