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PREPARATORY COMMITTEE FOR THE SECOND REVIEW CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES TO THE TREATY ON THE PROHIBITION OF THE EMPLACEMENT OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS AND OTHER VEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION ON THE SEA-BED AND THE OCEAN FLOOR AND IN THE SUBSOIL THEREOF

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Record of Decisions

At the fourth meeting of the Preparatory Committee on 3 May 1983 the following decisions were taken:

- The Preparatory Committee agreed to recommend as the Draft Rules of Procedure of the Second Review Conference the Rules of Procedure of the First Review Conference as contained in document SBT/CONF./2, with the following changes:
- a) In Rules 5 and 8 the number of Vice-Presidents should be increased from 16 to 17;
- b) Rule 35 should be amended to read as follows:

"1. The Conference shall establish a Drafting Committee composed of representatives of the same States which are represented on the General Committee. It shall co-ordinate the drafting of and edit all texts referred to it by the Conference without altering the substance of the texts, and report to the Conference. It shall also, without reopening substantive discussion on any matter, formulate drafts and give advice on drafting as requested by the Conference.

2. Representatives of other delegations may also attend the meetings of the Drafting Committee and may participate in its deliberations when matters of concern to them are under discussion."

2) Concerning the composition of the Bureau of the Second Review Conference, the Preparatory Committee decided that the geographical distribution of the posts should be as follows: Africa 4; Asia 4; Latin America 2; Western Europe and Others 6 (including the Depositary Governments); Eastern Europe 4 (including the Depositary Government).

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