Preparatory Committee for the Third Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Prohibition of the Emplacement of Nuclear Weapons and Other Weapons of Mass Destruction on the Sea-Bed and the Ocean Floor and in the Subsoil Thereof

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## RECORD OF DECISION

At the third meeting of the Preparatory Committee on 25 April 1989 the following decisions were taken with respect to the organization of work of the Third Review Conference:

(a) The Preparatory Committee decided that the Third Review Conference should take place at Geneva from 19 to 29 September 1989;

(b) The Preparatory Committee decided to recommend as the provisional agenda of the Third Review Conference the agenda of the Second Review Conference as contained in document SBT/CONF.II/5;

(c) The Preparatory Committee decided that the General Committee of the Third Review Conference would be composed of the President, 17 Vice-Presidents, the Chairman of the Drafting Committee and the Chairman of the Credentials Committee. It further decided that the geographical distribution of the posts should be as follows: Africa 4; Asia 4; Latin America and the Caribbean 2; Western Europe and Others 6 (including the Depositary Governments); Eastern Europe 4 (including the Depositary Government);

(d) The Preparatory Committee agreed to recommend as the draft Rules of Procedure of the Third Review Conference, the Rules of Procedure of the Second Review Conference as contained in document SBT/CONF.II/6;

(e) The Preparatory Committee decided to invite the Secretary-General of the United Nations, in consultation with the members of the Preparatory Committee, to nominate an official to act on behalf of the Committee as provisional Secretary-General of the Third Review Conference, the nominee to be confirmed by the Third Review Conference in accordance with its Rules of Procedure;

(f) Recalling the request in the Final Document, part II of the Second Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty with respect to its Articles V and VII, the Preparatory Committee invites the Conference on Disarmament to undertake appropriate follow-up measures. In this connection, the Preparatory Committee requests the Conference on Disarmament to enable States parties not members of the Conference on Disarmament to participate in this follow-up in accordance with its rules of procedure.