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 FOR DISTRICT SET/CONF/19
and the Ocean Floor and in the Subsoil Thereof FOLITICAL AND SECURITY COUNCIL AFFAIRS ENGLISH

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Agenda item 14

PROPOSAL OF THE DELEGATION OF ROMANIA

The delegation of Romania suggests that the following items may be reflected in the final document(s) which will be agreed upon at the end of the Conference (Final declaration, resolutions, etc.)

<u>Having examined</u> the operation of the Treaty with a view to assuring that the purposes of the preamble and the provisions of the Treaty are being realized,

Recalling article V of the Treaty under which the States Parties undertook to continue negotiations in good faith concerning further measures in the field of disarmament for the prevention of an arms race on the sea-bed, the ocean floor and the subsoil thereof,

Taking note of the fact that during the period of five years after the entry into force of the Treaty the negotiations provided in article V have not taken place,

Considering that all provisions of the Treaty have an equal importance and that the States Parties are bound to fulfil in good faith all the obligations undertaken under the Treaty,

Reaffirming the common interest of mankind in the progress of the exploration and use of the sea-bed and the ocean floor for peaceful purposes,

- 1. <u>Calls upon</u> all States Parties to start immediate negotiations in accordance with article V of the Treaty, in order to adopt further measures in the field of disarmament for the prevention of an arms race on the sea-bed, the ocean floor and the subsoil thereof;
- 2. <u>Urges</u> the States Parties which possess technical capabilities to undertake military activities on the sea-bed, the ocean floor and the subsoil thereof to enter immediate consultations with the view of facilitating the beginning of the negotiations;
- 3. <u>Decides</u> to ask the Secretary-General of the United Nations to inform the 34th session of the General Assembly on the progress achieved in the implementation of the provisions of article V of the Treaty.