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CESSATION OF ALL TEST EXPLOSIONS OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS

URGENT NEED FOR A COMPREHENSIVE NUCLEAR-TEST-BAN TREATY

Letter dated 9 July 1984 from the Permanent Representatives of Chile, Colombia, Ecuador and Peru to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

We have the honour to transmit to you the text of the declaration adopted by the Permanent Commission for the South Pacific, which is composed of Chile, Colombia, Ecuador and Peru, on the French atomic explosions in the South Pacific.

We should be grateful if you would arrange for the text of the declaration in question to be issued as a document of the General Assembly under items 46 and 47 of the preliminary list.

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ANNEX

Declaration adopted by the Permanent Commission for the South Pacific, composed of Chile, Colombia, Ecuador and Peru, on the French atomic explosions in the South Pacific

The Permanent Commission for the South Pacific (PCSP), which is composed of Chile, Colombia, Ecuador and Peru, hereby issues the following declaration:

- 1. The nuclear explosions which France is carrying out on Mururoa Atoll, which were resumed in May 1984, constitute a serious threat to the marine environment and its natural resources, which is highly detrimental to the interests of the States members of the South-East Pacific Maritime System.
- 2. In the Viña del Mar Declaration, signed in February 1984, the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of Chile, Colombia, Ecuador and Peru, within the framework of their joint policy on the protection of the marine environment, reaffirmed the opposition of their Governments to nuclear explosions.
- 3. The Permanent Commission for the South Pacific therefore expresses its opposition to the above-mentioned nuclear explosions, lodges a vigorous protest against such acts and calls for their immediate cessation.