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Role of science and technology in the context of international security and disarmament

Report of the First Committee

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I. Introduction

1. The item entitled “Role of science and technology in the context of international security and disarmament” was included in the provisional agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly in accordance with Assembly decision 69/515 of 2 December 2014.

2. At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 18 September 2015, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include the item in its agenda and to allocate it to the First Committee.

3. At its 1st meeting, on 7 October 2015, the First Committee decided to hold a general debate on all disarmament and international security items allocated to it, namely, items 88 to 105. On 8 and 9 and from 12 to 16 October, the Committee held a general debate on those items (see [A/C.1/70/PV.2-8](#)). On 9 October, the Committee had an exchange with the Acting High Representative for Disarmament Affairs on the follow-up of resolutions and decisions adopted by the Committee at previous sessions and the presentation of reports (see [A/C.1/70/PV.3](#)) and on 19 October it had an exchange with the Acting High Representative for Disarmament Affairs and other high-level officials in the field of arms control and disarmament (see [A/C.1/70/PV.9](#)). The Committee also held 12 meetings, from 19 to 23 and from 26 to 30 October, for thematic discussions and panel exchanges with independent experts (see [A/C.1/70/PV.9-12](#) and 14-21). At those meetings, as well as during the action phase, draft resolutions were introduced and considered. The Committee took action on all draft resolutions and decisions at its 22nd to 26th meetings, from 2 to 6 November (see [A/C.1/70/PV.22-26](#)).

4. No documents were submitted for consideration under this item.



II. Consideration of draft decision [A/C.1/70/L.22](#)

5. At the 21st meeting, on 30 October, the representative of India introduced a draft decision entitled “Role of science and technology in the context of international security and disarmament” ([A/C.1/70/L.22](#)).

6. At its 24th meeting, on 4 November, the Committee adopted draft decision [A/C.1/70/L.22](#) without a vote (see para. 7).

III. Recommendation of the First Committee

7. The First Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft decision:

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The General Assembly decides to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-first session the item entitled “Role of science and technology in the context of international security and disarmament”.
