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Letter dated 20 September 2013 from the President of the General Assembly to the Chair of the First Committee

I have the honour to inform you of the decisions taken by the General Assembly at the 2nd plenary meeting of its sixty-eighth session, held on 20 September 2013, pertaining to the allocation of items to the First Committee (see annex).

I wish to draw your attention to the relevant parts of sections III and IV of the report of the General Committee ([A/68/250](#)) concerning the agenda of the Main Committees.

I also draw your attention to the recommendations on the organization of the session contained in section II of the same report. Those recommendations were also approved by the General Assembly at its 2nd plenary meeting.

(Signed) John W. Ashe



Annex

Allocation of items to the First Committee

1. Election of the officers of the Main Committees [item 5].

G. Disarmament

2. Reduction of military budgets [item 89]:
 - (a) Reduction of military budgets;
 - (b) Objective information on military matters, including transparency of military expenditures.
3. Implementation of the Declaration of the Indian Ocean as a Zone of Peace [item 90].
4. African Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone Treaty [item 91].
5. Consolidation of the regime established by the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean (Treaty of Tlatelolco) [item 92].
6. Review of the implementation of the Declaration on the Strengthening of International Security [item 93].
7. Developments in the field of information and telecommunications in the context of international security [item 94].
8. Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the Middle East [item 95].
9. Conclusion of effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons [item 96].
10. Prevention of an arms race in outer space [item 97].
11. Role of science and technology in the context of international security and disarmament [item 98].
12. General and complete disarmament [item 99]:
 - (a) Notification of nuclear tests;
 - (b) Further measures in the field of disarmament for the prevention of an arms race on the seabed and the ocean floor and in the subsoil thereof;
 - (c) Transparency and confidence-building measures in outer space activities;
 - (d) Follow-up to nuclear disarmament obligations agreed to at the 1995, 2000 and 2010 Review Conferences of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons;
 - (e) Transparency in armaments;
 - (f) National legislation on transfer of arms, military equipment and dual-use goods and technology;

- (g) Problems arising from the accumulation of conventional ammunition stockpiles in surplus;
- (h) Treaty on the South-East Asia Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone (Bangkok Treaty);
- (i) Prohibition of the dumping of radioactive wastes;
- (j) Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-personnel Mines and on Their Destruction;
- (k) Follow-up to the advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice on the legality of the threat or use of nuclear weapons;
- (l) Towards a nuclear-weapon-free world: accelerating the implementation of nuclear disarmament commitments;
- (m) Observance of environmental norms in the drafting and implementation of agreements on disarmament and arms control;
- (n) Promotion of multilateralism in the area of disarmament and non-proliferation;
- (o) Relationship between disarmament and development;
- (p) Assistance to States for curbing the illicit traffic in small arms and light weapons and collecting them;
- (q) Measures to prevent terrorists from acquiring weapons of mass destruction;
- (r) Reducing nuclear danger;
- (s) Decreasing the operational readiness of nuclear weapons systems;
- (t) Women, disarmament, non-proliferation and arms control;
- (u) Treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices;
- (v) Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction;
- (w) Taking forward multilateral nuclear disarmament negotiations;
- (x) Regional disarmament;
- (y) The illicit trade in small arms and light weapons in all its aspects;
- (z) United action towards the total elimination of nuclear weapons;
- (aa) Nuclear disarmament;
- (bb) Confidence-building measures in the regional and subregional context;
- (cc) Conventional arms control at the regional and subregional levels;
- (dd) The Arms Trade Treaty;
- (ee) Missiles;

- (ff) Convening of the fourth special session of the General Assembly devoted to disarmament.
- 13. Review and implementation of the Concluding Document of the Twelfth Special Session of the General Assembly [item 100]:
 - (a) United Nations regional centres for peace and disarmament;
 - (b) Convention on the Prohibition of the Use of Nuclear Weapons;
 - (c) United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Asia and the Pacific;
 - (d) United Nations Regional Centre for Peace, Disarmament and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean;
 - (e) United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Africa;
 - (f) Regional confidence-building measures: activities of the United Nations Standing Advisory Committee on Security Questions in Central Africa.
- 14. Review of the implementation of the recommendations and decisions adopted by the General Assembly at its tenth special session [item 101]:
 - (a) Report of the Conference on Disarmament;
 - (b) Report of the Disarmament Commission.
- 15. The risk of nuclear proliferation in the Middle East [item 102].
- 16. Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects [item 103].
- 17. Strengthening of security and cooperation in the Mediterranean region [item 104].
- 18. Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty [item 105].
- 19. Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction [item 106].
- 20. Revitalizing the work of the Conference on Disarmament and taking forward multilateral disarmament negotiations [item 107].

I. Organizational, administrative and other matters

- 21. Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly [item 122].
 - 22. Programme planning [item 135].
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