PROHIBITION OF THE DEVELOPMENT, PRODUCTION, STOCKPILING AND USE OF RADIOLOGICAL WEAPONS

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 38/188 D of 20 December 1983,

1. Takes note of that part of the report of the Conference on Disarmament that deals with the question of radiological weapons, in particular the report of the Ad Hoc Committee on Radiological Weapons¹²⁴ and its recommendation that, in view of the fact that the Committee's mandate was not fulfilled, the Conference on Disarmament should re-establish the Ad Hoc Committee on Radiological Weapons at the beginning of its 1985 session;

2. Requests the Conference on Disarmament to continue its negotiations on the subject with a view to a prompt conclusion of its work, taking into account all proposals presented to the Conference to this end, the result of which should be submitted to the General Assembly at its fortieth session:

3. Requests the Secretary-General to transmit to the Conference on Disarmament all relevant documents relating to the discussion of all aspects of the issue by the General Assembly at its thirty-ninth session;

4. Decides to include in the provisional agenda of its fortieth session the item entitled "Prohibition of the development, production, stockpiling and use of radiological weapons".

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39/152. Question of Antarctica

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 38/77 of 15 December 1983,

Having considered the item entitled "Question of Antarctica",

Taking note of the study on the question of Antarctica.125

Conscious of the increasing international awareness of and interest in Antarctica,

Bearing in mind the Antarctic Treaty¹²⁶ and the significance of the system it has developed,

Taking into account the debate on this item at its thirtyninth session,127

Convinced of the advantages of a better knowledge of Antarctica,

Affirming the conviction that, in the interest of all mankind, Antarctica should continue forever to be used exclusively for peaceful purposes and that it should not become the scene or object of international discord,

Recalling the relevant paragraphs of the Economic Declaration adopted at the Seventh Conference of Heads of State or Government of Non-Aligned Countries, held at New Delhi from 7 to 12 March 1983,¹²⁸

Expresses its appreciation to the Secretary-General for the study on the question of Antarctica;

2. Decides to include in the provisional agenda of its fortieth session the item entitled "Question of Antarctica".

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39/153. Strengthening of security and co-operation in the Mediterranean region

The General Assembly.

Recalling its resolutions 36/102 of 9 December 1981. 37/118 of 16 December 1982 and 38/189 of 20 December 1983.

Recognizing the importance of promoting peace, security and co-operation in the Mediterranean region and of strengthening further the economic, commercial and cultural links in the region,

Expressing concern over persistent and increasing tension in parts of the Mediterranean region and the consequent threat to peace,

Considering, in this regard, the urgency for all States to conform in their actions with the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations, as well as with the provisions of the Declaration on Principles of International Law concerning Friendly Relations and Co-operation among States in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations,129

Reaffirming the need to promote security and to strengthen co-operation in the region, as provided for in the Mediterranean chapter of the Final Act of the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe, signed at Helsinki on 1 August 1975,

Recalling the declarations of successive meetings of nonaligned countries concerning the Mediterranean, as well as official declarations on, and contributions to, peace and security in the Mediterranean region made by individual countries.

Reaffirming the primary role of Mediterranean countries in the promotion of security and co-operation in the Mediterranean region.

Taking note, in this connection, of the conclusion of the meeting of the Mediterranean members of the movement of non-aligned countries, held at Valletta on 10 and 11 September 1984,¹³⁰ and of the commitments assumed by the participants with the objective of contributing to peace and security in the region,

Taking note also of the debate on this item during the various sessions of the General Assembly and, in particular, of the report of the Secretary-General on this item,¹³¹

1. Reaffirms:

(a) That the security of the Mediterranean is closely linked with European security and with international peace and security;

(b) That further efforts are necessary for the reduction of tension and of armaments and for the creation of conditions of security and fruitful co-operation in all fields for all countries and peoples of the Mediterranean, on the basis of the principles of sovereignty, independence, territorial integrity, security, non-intervention and non-interference, non-violation of international borders, non-use of force or threat of use of force, the inadmissibility of the acquisition of territory by force, peaceful settlement of dis-

¹²⁴ Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-ninth Session. Supple-ment No. 27 (A/39/27), para. 120. ¹²⁵ A/39/583 (Part I) and Corr.1 and 2 and A/39/583 (Part II) and Corr.1, vols. I-III.

¹²⁶ United Nations, Treaty Series, vol. 402, No. 5778, p. 72.

¹²⁷ Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-ninth Session, First Committee, 50th and 52nd to 55th meetings

¹²⁸ A/38/132-S/15675 and Corr.1 and 2, annex, sect. III, paras. 122 and 123. 129 Resolution 2625 (XXV), annex.

¹³⁰ See A/39/526-S/16758 and Corr.1, annex.

¹³¹ A/39/517 and Add.1 and Add.1/Corr.1.