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REGIONAL SEAS PROGRAM, AND DEVELOPMENT OF INNATL ENVL LAW.

10. NROBI DECLARATION: WORKING GROUP HELD FOUR MTGS USING DRAFT DECLARATION PREPARED IN ADVANCE OF SS BY PERM REPS DRAFTING GROUP IN NROBI. PROBLEM OF WEAK CHAIRMANSHIP OF LOPEZ PORTILLO (MXICO), COMPOUNDED BY NUMEROUS AMENDMENTS, LED TO CREATION OF OPEN-ENDED DRAFTING GROUP (INCL CDA) WHERE MAJOR WORK WAS ACCOMPLISHED.

11. PRINCIPAL DIFFICULTIES AROSE FROM AMENDMENTS PROPOSED BY MXICO, USA AND AFRICAN AND EAST EUROPEAN GROUPS. MXICO INTRODUCED LENGTHY ADDITION TO PARA 5 ON ARMS BUILDUP, INCL NUCLEAR WEAPONS, WHICH IN VIEW OF MOST WEOG (WITH NOTABLE EXCEPTION OF SWEDEN) WAS INAPPROPRIATE IN CONTEXT OF ENVL DECLARATION AND WOULD SIGNIFICANTLY DISTORT BALANCE OF TEXT. ALTHOUGH MXICNS REMAINED INTRANSIGENT (TEXT REPORTEDLY DRAFTED BY WIFE OF FOR MINISTER CASTANEDA), THEY FINALLY AGREED TO SEPARATE DECISION (REVISED AND THEN CO-SPONSORED BY SWEDEN). CDA AND MOST WEOG ABSTAINED. PERU, VENEZUELA, BRAZIL AND ARGENTINA OPPOSED (POSSIBLY BECAUSE MXICO FAILED TO SUPPORT OPEN LET FROM ARGENTINA TO EXEC DIR TRANSMITTING COMMUNIQUE ASSERTING ARGENTINE SOVEREIGNTY OVER FALKLAND ISLANDS).

12. USA, OPPOSING UNBALANCING NATURE OF REF TO NEW INNATL ECONOMIC ORDER (NIEO) IN PARA 4, INSISTED ON INCLUSION OF COUNTER-BALANCING REF: QUOTE MARKET MECHANISMS CAN FAVOUR RATIONAL ENVL AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT UNQUOTE WHICH ATTRACTED WIDESPREAD OPPOSITION. YUGOSLAV COMPROMISE PUT FORWARD IN PLENARY AT 11TH HOUR WAS EVENTUALLY

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