

(Mr. Garcia Robles, Mexico)

Applying this criterion, my delegation would venture to suggest that of the five working groups which met in 1983 the possible re-establishment of two of them should remain pending, to be considered at the beginning of the so-called "summer session": namely, the Group on the Comprehensive Programme of Disarmament, for the reasons which I myself explained last year, both in the Committee on Disarmament and in the First Committee of the General Assembly; and the Group on the item generally known as negative security assurances, for reasons which seem obvious to us, and which have already been mentioned more than once. With regard to the other three working groups -- the Group on "Chemical Weapons", the Group concerned with the "nuclear-weapon-test ban" and the Group which has been studying "radiological weapons" -- we believe that the first of these should continue without interruption the work which it has been carrying out since 16 January, while the other two should immediately resume their activities, taking as a starting point the reports which they submitted to the Committee in 1983 and the resolutions adopted by the General Assembly concerning the matters dealt with in those reports.