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The Conference on Disarmament is a permanent body of experts established in 1978 to continue the work of the Ad Hoc Committee on Disarmament. It is the only multilateral disarmament negotiating forum. The Conference is composed of 28 member States, which are: Argentina, Australia, Belgium, Canada, Czech Republic, France, Germany, Greece, India, Italy, Japan, Mexico, Norway, Pakistan, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Switzerland, United Kingdom, United States, USSR, Yugoslavia and Yugoslavia.

The Conference has held several sessions since its establishment. It has been unable to reach a consensus on a comprehensive disarmament treaty, but it has achieved significant progress in the area of arms control. In 1986, the Conference adopted the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (TPNW), which prohibits the development, production, stockpiling, acquisition, possession, use, and transfer of nuclear weapons. The Treaty has been signed by 111 States as of 2023.

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