

Convinced that further measures are needed for the prevention of an arms race in outer space,

Recognizing that, in the context of multilateral negotiations for preventing an arms race in outer space, the resumption of bilateral negotiations between the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and the United States of America can play a positive role,

Taking note of the report of the Committee on Disarmament, //

Noting that in the course of its session in 1982 the Committee on Disarmament considered this subject both at its formal and informal meetings as well as through informal consultations,

Aware of the various proposals submitted by Member States to the Committee on Disarmament, particularly concerning the establishment of a working group on outer space as well as the draft mandate,

Noting, in particular, the express wishes of the overwhelming majority of members of the Committee on Disarmament for the establishment, without delay, of a working group on outer space,

1. Reaffirms the will of all States that outer space shall be used exclusively for peaceful purposes and that it shall not become an arena for an arms race;

2. Declares that any use other than for exclusively peaceful purposes of outer space runs counter to the agreed objective of general and complete disarmament under effective international control;

3. Emphasizes that further effective measures to prevent an arms race in outer space should be adopted by the international community;

4. Calls upon all States, in particular those with major space capabilities, to contribute actively to the objective of peaceful uses of outer space and to take immediate measures to prevent an arms race in outer space;

5. Requests the Committee on Disarmament to consider as a matter of priority the question of preventing an arms race in outer space;

6. Further requests the Committee on Disarmament to establish an ad hoc working group on the subject at the beginning of its session in 1983 with a view to undertaking negotiations for the conclusion of an agreement or agreements, as appropriate, to prevent an arms race in outer space in all its aspects;

7. Requests the Committee on Disarmament to report on its consideration of this subject to the General Assembly at its thirty-eighth session;

8. Requests the Secretary-General to transmit to the Committee on Disarmament all documents relating to the consideration of this subject by the General Assembly at its thirty-seventh session;

9. Decides to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-eighth session an item entitled "Prevention of an arms race in outer space".