

The Conference's attention should be drawn, in particular, to the following provisions contained in those resolutions:

(1) In resolution 45/49, operative paragraph 5 appeals to all States members of the Conference on Disarmament to promote the re-establishment by the Conference at the beginning of its 1991 session of the Ad Hoc Committee on a Nuclear Test Ban with the objective of carrying out the multilateral negotiation of a treaty on the complete cessation of nuclear-test explosions; and operative paragraph 6 recommends to the Conference on Disarmament that such an ad hoc committee should comprise two working groups dealing, respectively, with the following interrelated questions: contents and scope of the treaty, and compliance and verification.

(2) In resolution 45/51, operative paragraph 2 urges the Conference on Disarmament, in order that a comprehensive nuclear test-ban treaty may be concluded at an early date, to re-establish the Ad Hoc Committee on a Nuclear Test Ban at the beginning of its 1991 session to carry forward the work begun in the Conference in 1990, focusing on substantive work on specific and interrelated test-ban issues, including structure and scope as well as verification and compliance; operative paragraph 3 also urges the Conference on Disarmament: (a) To take into account, in this context, the progress achieved by the Ad Hoc Group of Scientific Experts to Consider International Co-operative Measures to Detect and Identify Seismic Events, including work on the routine exchange and use of wave-form data, and other relevant initiatives or experiments by individual States and groups of States; (b) To encourage the widest possible participation by States in the technical test that is now under way concerning the global exchange and analysis of seismic data; (c) To take immediate steps for the establishment, with the widest possible participation, of an international seismic monitoring network with a view to developing further a system for the effective monitoring and verification of compliance with a comprehensive nuclear test-ban treaty; (d) To initiate detailed investigation of other measures to monitor and verify compliance with such a treaty, including on-site inspections and an international network to monitor atmospheric radioactivity; operative paragraph 4 urges: (a) The nuclear-weapon States, especially those which possess the most important nuclear arsenals, to agree promptly to appropriate verifiable and militarily significant interim measures, with a view to concluding a comprehensive nuclear test-ban treaty; (b) those nuclear-weapon States which have not yet done so to adhere to the Treaty Banning Nuclear Weapon Tests in the Atmosphere, in Outer Space and under Water; operative paragraph 5 calls upon the Conference on Disarmament to report to the General Assembly at its forty-sixth session on progress made.