happen – even if there were substantial reductions in arms spending.

e) Outer space. There are growing fears of a new arms race in space despite the Treaty of 1967 which bans stationing nuclear weapons in orbit around the earth. A particular concern is the development of weapons to destroy satellites. This could be a serious blow to arms control and disarmament because the controls depend so heavily on what are called national technical means of verification, which is a polite way of describing satellite photography and the interception of radio signals. The ability to destroy satellites would also undermine the concept of deterrence because satellites are important in providing warning of an impending attack.

f) Confidence building measures (CBM). These have come into prominence with the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe (CSCE), whose Final Act includes provisions for such things as the reporting of military manoeuvres and permission for observers to attend these exercises.

In the early stages of the Madrid CSCE Review Conference, France, with the concurrence of its NATO partners, indicated that if new CBMs were to be negotiated they would have to be militarily significant, binding, verifiable and applicable throughout the European continent from the Atlantic to the Urals. In early 1981 the Soviet Union proposed that CBMs be extended to include European Russia and an equivalent area of NATO territory, to include naval and air exercises, and to be negotiated for the Far East as well. Negotiations in Madrid will resume in late October. Also, the UN Secretary-General will submit to the 36th Session of the General Assembly in 1981, a UN study on CBM's conducted by an international panel of experts.

g) Verification. This has become an essential part of all disarmament measures. Nations no longer seem to trust each other's signature on a treaty but insist on some outside means of making sure that they abide by its terms. Satellite observations have overcome certain objections to on-site inspection,

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