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PROGRESS REPORT TO THE CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT ON THE THIRTY-SIXTH SESSION OF THE AD HOC GROUP OF SCIENTIFIC EXPERTS TO CONSIDER INTERNATIONAL COOPERATIVE MEASURES TO DETECT AND IDENTIFY SEISMIC EVENTS

1. The Ad Hoc Group of Scientific Experts to Consider International Cooperative Measures to Detect and Identify Seismic Events, initially established in pursuance of the decision taken by the Conference of the Committee on Disarmament on 22 July 1976, held its thirty-sixth formal session from 26 July to 6 August 1993, in the Palais des Nations, Geneva, under the Chairmanship of Dr. Ola Dahlman of Sweden. This was the twenty-eighth session of the Group, convened under its new mandate by the decision of the Committee on Disarmament at its 48th meeting on 7 August 1979.
2. The Ad Hoc Group is open to all member States of the Conference on Disarmament. It is also open on a standing basis to all non-member States which have been invited upon their request by the Conference on Disarmament to participate in its work. Accordingly, scientific experts and representatives of the following member States of the Conference on Disarmament participated in the session: Australia, Belgium, Canada, China, Egypt, France, Germany, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, Mexico, Netherlands, Pakistan, Peru, Romania, Russian Federation, Sweden, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America.
3. Scientific experts and representatives from the following non-member States of the Conference on Disarmament participated in the session: Austria, Czech Republic, Finland, New Zealand, Norway, South Africa, Spain and Switzerland.
4. During the session 43 papers containing information on national investigations related to the work of the Group were presented by experts from: Australia, Austria, Canada, Czech Republic, Egypt, Finland, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, Norway, Peru, Romania, Russian Federation, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, United Kingdom and United States of America.
5. The Ad Hoc Group conducted in-depth discussions on the reassessment of the concept of a global system for the exchange of seismic data worked out in its Fifth Report (CD/903), its Sixth Report (CD/1144) and its Report on the Evaluation of GSETT-2 (Conference Room Paper 228). These discussions