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PROGRESS REPORT TO THE CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT ON THE
TWENTY-NINTH SESSION OF THE AD HOC GROUP OF SCIENTIFIC EXPERTS
TO CONSIDER INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATIVE MEASURES TO
DETECT AND IDENTIFY SEISMIC EVENTS

1. The Ad Hoc Group of Scientific Experts to Consider International Co-operative 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 twenty-ninth formal session from 19-29 March 1990, in the Palais des Nations, Geneva, under the Chairmanship of Dr. Ola Dahlman of Sweden. This was the twenty-first 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 continues to be open to all member States of the Conference on Disarmament, as well as upon request to non-member States. Accordingly, scientific experts and representatives of the following member States of the Conference on Disarmament participated in the session: Australia, Canada, China, Czechoslovakia, Egypt, German Democratic Republic, Germany, Federal Republic of, Hungary, India, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Italy, Japan, Netherlands, Pakistan, Poland, Romania, Sweden, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America.
3. At their request and on the basis of previous invitations by the Conference on Disarmament, scientific experts and representatives from the following non-member States of the Conference on Disarmament participated in the session: Austria, Denmark, Finland, New Zealand, Norway, Spain and Switzerland.
4. Two representatives of the World Meteorological Organization also attended the session.
5. Under the current mandate of the Ad Hoc Group, information on national investigations related to the work of the Group has been presented by experts from Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, Egypt, Finland, German Democratic Republic, Germany, Federal Republic of, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Italy, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Peru, Poland, Romania, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and United States of America.
6. The Ad Hoc Group reviewed the initial results of experimental activities during Phase 2 of its Second Technical Test (GSETT-2). The Group noted that 21 countries participated in the first stage of the gradual build-up to the