

borne by the Parties to the Treaty in accordance with the United Nations assessment scale prorated to take into account differences between the United Nations membership and the number of Parties to this Treaty. The Secretariat shall be located at . . .

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III. GROUP OF SOCIALIST COUNTRIES: Basic provisions of a treaty on the complete and general prohibition of nuclear weapon tests, 8 June 1987

A. General provisions

1. The complete and general prohibition of nuclear weapon tests is in itself an important measure facilitating progress toward the limitation, reduction and complete elimination of nuclear arms.

2. The prohibition of nuclear weapon tests by the Soviet Union and the United States of America, the States which possess the greatest nuclear potentials, is an important step toward general and complete prohibition of such tests. They must be joined by the other nuclear Powers if the main objective of the Treaty is to be attained and its universal nature genuinely ensured.

3. The States Parties to the Treaty are guided by a desire to complement and develop the regime established by the Treaty Banning Nuclear Weapon Tests in the Atmosphere, in Outer Space and under Water of 5 August 1963, which would be consistent with the determination expressed in that Treaty to achieve the discontinuance of all test explosions of nuclear weapons for all time, and to that end to prohibit such explosions in the only remaining environment, i.e. underground.

4. When all nuclear weapons have been completely eliminated the Treaty will serve as a safeguard against the reappearance of this kind of weapon in the future and an important element in the comprehensive system of international security.

B. Scope of the prohibition

1. Each State Party to this Treaty shall

undertake to prohibit, to prevent, and not to carry out any nuclear weapon test explosions at any place under its jurisdiction or control, in all environments — in the atmosphere, in outer space, under water or underground.

2. No Party shall cause, encourage or in any way participate in the conduct of any nuclear weapon test explosions anywhere.

3. Provision should be made for the formulation of a provision preventing the ban on nuclear weapon test explosions from being circumvented by means of peaceful nuclear explosions.

C. Termination of activities at nuclear weapon test ranges

I. Declarations

Thirty days after the entry into force of the Treaty, the States Parties shall declare the locations of the test ranges for nuclear weapon test explosions in their territory or under their control, including the geographical coordinates of nuclear weapon test sites.

II. Termination of activities at nuclear weapon test ranges

On the day of the entry into force of the Treaty, each State Party to the Treaty shall terminate all activities related to nuclear weapon test explosions at its test ranges.

D. Ensuring compliance with the Treaty

I. General provisions on verification

Effective comprehensive verification of strict and unflinching fulfillment by the Parties of their obligations under the Treaty shall be carried out using national technical means of verification, international verification measures and on-site inspection.

II. National technical means of verification

1. For the purpose of verifying the implementation of this Treaty, each State Party to this Treaty shall use the national technical means of verification which it has at its disposal in a manner consistent with the generally recognized norms of international law, and undertakes not to interfere with such means of verification of other States Parties to this Treaty.

2. States Parties to this Treaty which possess national technical means of verification shall place the information which they obtained through those means, and which is important for the purposes of this Treaty, at the disposal of the appropriate organ established under the Treaty, and may, where