Disarmament Commission

Documentation before the Commission

Note by the Secretary-General

1. In its resolution 71/82, the General Assembly took note of the annual report of the Disarmament Commission (A/71/42) and requested the Secretary-General to transmit to the Commission the annual report of the Conference on Disarmament (A/71/27), together with all the official records of the seventy-first session of the Assembly relating to disarmament matters.

2. In its resolution 71/71, the General Assembly took note of the views provided by Member States with regard to achieving the objective of the total elimination of nuclear weapons, in particular on the elements of a comprehensive convention on nuclear weapons, as reflected in the report submitted by the Secretary-General pursuant to resolution 70/34 (A/71/131), and requested the Secretary-General to forward that report to the Conference on Disarmament and the Disarmament Commission for their early consideration.

3. In its resolution 71/42, the General Assembly stressed the importance of the note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Group of Governmental Experts on Transparency and Confidence-building Measures in Outer Space Activities (A/68/189), considered by the General Assembly on 5 December 2013, and encouraged Member States to hold regular discussions in the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space, the Disarmament Commission and the Conference on Disarmament on the prospects for their implementation.

4. Pursuant to those requests, the relevant documentation is listed below:

   (a) Report of the Conference on Disarmament on its 2016 session (A/71/27);

   (b) Verbatim records of the plenary meetings of the General Assembly at its seventy-first session regarding the general debate on and consideration of disarmament matters (A/71/PV.51 and 68);

   (c) Verbatim records of the meetings of the First Committee at the seventy-first session of the Assembly regarding disarmament matters (A/C.1/71/PV.1-26);

   (d) Reports of the First Committee to the General Assembly at its seventy-first session on the consideration of the disarmament items on the agenda (A/71/441 to A/71/459), also containing, where applicable, lists of documents submitted in connection with those items;
(e) Report of the Group of Governmental Experts on Transparency and Confidence-building Measures in Outer Space Activities (A/68/189);


All the documents listed above have already been circulated.