AD HOC COMMITTEE ON THE WORLD DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE

Eighth session

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Held at Headquarters, New York,
on Friday, 16 September 1977, at 3 p.m.

Chairman: Mr. HOVEYDA (Iran)

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The meeting was called to order at 3.55 p.m.

REPORT OF THE AD HOC COMMITTEE (continued) (A/AC.167/SR.40)

1. Mr. LOPEZ-CHICHERTI (Spain), Rapporteur, introduced the draft report of the Ad Hoc Committee appearing in document A/AC.167/L.11. Members of the Working Group had recommended the addition of a further paragraph to the draft report, which would form a separate section III entitled "CONCLUSION". That paragraph would read:

"In considering the advisability of the continuation of the work of the Ad Hoc Committee on the World Disarmament Conference under an appropriate mandate, in the light of the contents of the present and previous reports, the General Assembly may wish to bear in mind the recommendation made to it by the Preparatory Committee of the Special Session Devoted to Disarmament.


2. In a number of places, the report represented the results of difficult negotiations with certain States, notably the nuclear Powers. Although several delegations had indicated that they had difficulties with the draft report as it stood, they were nevertheless willing to accept it rather than introduce changes which would be unacceptable to the nuclear-weapon States.

3. The CHAIRMAN expressed his thanks to the Rapporteur and the Working Group for producing a very balanced report. If he heard no objection, he would take it that the Ad Hoc Committee adopted the draft report appearing in document A/AC.167/L.11, with the addition of the paragraph read out by the Rapporteur.

4. It was so decided.

CLOSURE OF THE SESSION

5. After an exchange of courtesies, the CHAIRMAN declared the session closed.

The meeting rose at 4.25 p.m.