DRAFT REPORT OF THE DRAFTING COMMITTEE

1. Rule 35 of the Rules of Procedure provided for a Drafting Committee composed of representatives of the States represented on the General Committee, that is, Bangladesh, Belgium, Cuba, Democratic Yemen, Egypt, Finland, German Democratic Republic, Germany, Federal Republic of, Ghana, Greece, Hungary India, Japan, Mongolia, Poland, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and United States of America.

2. At its second plenary meeting, on 10 September 1984, the Conference unanimously elected Ambassador S. Turbanski (Poland) as Chairman of the Drafting Committee, and Mr. S.K. Sharma (India) as Vice-Chairman.

3. The Committee held ... meetings between 14 and ... September 1984.

4. The Committee had before it a document entitled "Outline for Draft Final Declaration" (ENMOD/CONF.I/8) submitted by Czechoslovakia, Finland, Hungary, Norway and United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland. In addition, a number of informal proposals were presented.

5. The Drafting Committee gave careful and thorough consideration to the various proposals put forward by delegations. Its deliberations were marked by a spirit of goodwill and mutual accommodation which enabled it to adopt by consensus a Draft Final Document for consideration by the Conference (see Annex). The Final Document consists of three parts: I. Organization and Work of the Conference; II. Final Declaration; III. Summary Records of the Plenary Meetings of the Conference.
ANNEX


I. ORGANIZATION AND WORK OF THE CONFERENCE

INTRODUCTION
1. Paragraph 1 of Article VIII of the Convention on the Prohibition of Military or Any Other Hostile Use of Environmental Modification Techniques reads as follows:

"Five years after the entry into force of this Convention, a conference of the States Parties to the Convention shall be convened by the Depository at Geneva, Switzerland. The conference shall review the operation of the Convention with a view to ensuring that its purposes and provisions are being realized, and shall in particular examine the effectiveness of the provisions of paragraph 1 of article I in eliminating the dangers of military or any other hostile use of environmental modification techniques."

2. By resolution 37/99 I, adopted on 13 December 1982, the General Assembly, bearing in mind that the Convention would have been in force for five years on 5 October 1983, noted that the Secretary-General, as Depository of the Convention, intended to convene the Review Conference at the earliest practicable time after that date and that, to that end, he would hold consultations with the Parties to the Convention with regard to questions relating to the Conference and its preparation, including the establishment of a preparatory committee for the Conference.

3. Following such consultations, it was agreed that a preparatory committee, open to all States Parties to the Convention, would convene at the United Nations Office at Geneva on 30 April 1984.

4. The Preparatory Committee held one session at Geneva from 30 April to 2 May 1984. The following States Parties to the Convention participated in the Preparatory Committee: Bangladesh, Belgium, Bulgaria, Byelorussian-Soviet Socialist Republic, Canada, Cuba, Czechoslovakia, Democratic Yemen, Denmark, Egypt, Finland, German Democratic Republic, Germany, Federal Republic of, Greece, Hungary, India, Italy, Japan, Kuwait, Mongolia, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Romania, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sweden, Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and United States of America.
5. At its first meeting, on 30 April, the Committee elected Ambassador Keijo Korhonen of Finland as its Chairman. At the same meeting, the Committee elected Ambassador S. Turbanski of Poland and Mr. J.M. Noirfalisse of Belgium as Vice-Chairmen. The Committee authorized the Bureau to handle technical and other matters in the period before the Review Conference is convened.

6. The Secretary-General of the United Nations was represented by Mr. Argád Prandler, Deputy to the Under-Secretary-General for Disarmament Affairs, who opened the session of the Preparatory Committee. Ms. Aida Luisa Levin, Senior Political Affairs Officer, Department for Disarmament Affairs, served as Secretary of the Committee.

7. The Committee decided to take its decisions by consensus.

8. The Committee, taking note of their written requests, decided to invite the representatives of three States Signatories of the Convention, Australia, Brazil and Turkey, to participate in its discussions without the right to take part in the making of decisions.

9. In the course of its session, the Committee considered the following questions relating to the organization of the Review Conference:

(a) Date and duration
(b) Provisional agenda
(c) Composition of the General Committee
(d) Draft Rules of Procedure
(e) Background documentation
(f) Final document(s)

10. At its last meeting, on 2 May 1984, the Preparatory Committee adopted its final report, which was issued as a pre-session document of the Conference (ENMOD/CONF.I/1). The report contained, inter alia, the Provisional Agenda and the Draft Rules of Procedure for the Conference (Annexes I and II, respectively).

11. The Committee decided to request the Secretariat to circulate a revised estimate of the cost of the Conference reflecting the actual cost of the session of the Preparatory Committee, which is contained in document ENMOD/CONF.I/3.

12. The Committee decided to request that the following two background papers be issued as pre-session documentation for the Conference:

(1) A summary of negotiations leading to the conclusion of the Convention on the Prohibition of Military or Any Other Hostile Use of Environmental Modification Techniques and of subsequent developments related to the Convention (ENMOD/CONF.I/2); and

(2) A compilation of official communications regarding the implementation of the objectives and provisions of the Convention on the Prohibition of Military or Any Other Hostile Use of Environmental Modification Techniques (ENMOD/CONF.P/4).
Organization of the Conference

13. In accordance with the decision of the Preparatory Committee, the Conference was convened on 10 September 1984 at the Palais des Nations in Geneva.

14. At its first meeting, on 10 September, the Conference elected by acclamation Ambassador Keijo Korhonen, Permanent Representative of Finland to the United Nations in New York, as its President.

15. At the same meeting, a message from Secretary-General of the United Nations Javier Pérez de Cuéllar, was read out by the Special Representative of the Secretary-General, Mr. Jan Mårtenson, Under-Secretary-General of the United Nations for Disarmament Affairs.

16. The Conference adopted its agenda as recommended by the Preparatory Committee (ENMOD/CONF.I/5).


18. The Conference adopted its Rules of Procedure as recommended by the Preparatory Committee (ENMOD/CONF.I/6). The Rules of Procedure provided for (a) a General Committee, chaired by the President of the Conference and composed of the Chairman of the Drafting Committee and of the Credentials Committee, as well the 17 Vice-Presidents of the Conference; (b) a Drafting Committee, composed of representatives of the same 20 States Parties represented on the General Committee; (c) a Credentials Committee, composed of a Chairman and Vice-Chairman elected by the Conference, and five other members appointed by the Conference on the proposal of the President.

19. The Conference elected by acclamation 15 Vice-Presidents from the following States Parties: Bangladesh, Cuba, Democratic Yemen, Egypt, German Democratic Republic, Germany, Federal Republic of, Ghana, Greece, Hungary, India, Japan, Mongolia, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and United States of America. The Conference elected by acclamation the Chairman and the Vice-Chairman of the Drafting Committee, as follows:

Chairman: Amb. S. Turbanski (Poland)

Vice-Chairman: Mr. S.K. Sharma (India)

The Conference also elected by acclamation the Chairman and the Vice-Chairman of the Credentials Committee, as follows:

Chairman: Amb. M. Depasse (Belgium)

Vice-Chairman: Mr. I.A. Hassan (Egypt)

The Conference also appointed the following five States Parties as members of the Credentials Committee: Australia, Bulgaria, Byelorussian SSR, Cuba and Sri Lanka.

20. The Conference confirmed by acclamation the nomination of Miss Aida Luisa Levin as Secretary-General of the Conference. The nomination had been made by the
Participation at the Conference

21. Thirty-five States Parties to the Convention participated in the Conference as follows: Australia, Bangladesh, Belgium, Bulgaria, Byelorussian SSR, Canada, Cuba, Czechoslovakia, Democratic Yemen, Denmark, Egypt, Finland, German Democratic Republic, Germany, Federal Republic of, Ghana, Greece, Hungary, India, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Kuwait, Mongolia, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Romania, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sweden, Ukrainian SSR, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and United States of America.

22. In addition, four States which have signed the Convention but have not yet ratified it participated in the Conference without taking part in its decisions, as provided in Rule 43 of the Rules of Procedure: Brazil, Ethiopia, Iran (Islamic Republic of) and Turkey.

23. Four additional States, Algeria, Argentina, Peru and Switzerland, neither Party nor Signatory of the Convention, applied for Observer status in accordance with Rule 44. Such status was granted to them by the Conference.

24. The United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) applied for Observer Agency status in accordance with Rule 46. Such status was granted to them by the Conference.

25. Two non-governmental organizations attended the Conference under Rule 47.

26. A list of all delegations to the Conference, including States Parties, Signatories, Observer States, Observer Agencies and non-governmental organizations is contained in Annex ...

27. The Credentials Committee met on ... September and reported on the credentials of representatives of States Parties and signatories (ENMOD/CONF.1/...). At its plenary meeting on ... September the Conference took note of the report.

Work of the Conference

28. The Conference held ... plenary meetings between 10 and ... September when it concluded its work.

29. The general debate, in which 24 States Parties made statements, took place at the fourth to sixth plenary meetings held from 11 to 12 September. At its seventh plenary meeting, on 13 September, the Conference reviewed the provisions of the Convention article by article, followed by consideration of the preamble and purposes of the Convention.

30. The Drafting Committee met between 14 and ... September, and submitted its report to the Conference on ... September (ENMOD/CONF.1/...). The Conference, at its ... plenary meeting, on ... September, took note of the report.
Documentation

31. A list of the documents of the Conference is attached in Annex ... .

Conclusion of the Conference

32. At its ... and final plenary meeting on ... September, the Conference adopted its Final Document as recommended by the Drafting Committee in document E/CONF.I/... . The Final Document consists of three Parts: I. Organization and work of the Conference; II. Final Declaration; and III. Summary Records of Plenary Meetings of the Conference.