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DRAFT RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR THE MEETING OF THE STATES PARTIES
TO THE TREATY BANNING NUCLEAR WEAPON TESTS IN THE ATMOSPHERE,
IN OUTER SPACE AND UNDER WATER FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF THE
AMENDMENT CONFERENCE

1. Participation and attendance:

a. States Parties

Participation at the Meeting will be limited to States Parties to the
Treaty Banning Nuclear Weapon Tests in the Atmosphere, in Outer Space and
under Water.

b. Signatories

Any State signatory to the Treaty which has not yet ratified it shall be
entitled to participate, without taking part in the adoption of
decisions, in the deliberations of the Meeting, subject to prior written
notification to the Secretary-General of the Meeting.

c. Observers

Any other State which, in accordance with article III of the Treaty, has
the right to become a party thereto but which has neither signed nor
ratified it may apply to the Secretary-General of the Meeting for
observer status, which will be accorded on the decision of the Meeting.*

* It is understood that any such decision will be in accordance with the
practice of the United Nations General Assembly.
d. **The United Nations**

The Secretary-General of the United Nations or his representative or representatives shall be entitled to attend meetings and to receive the Meeting's documents. They shall also be entitled to submit material, both orally and in writing.

e. **Specialized agencies, regional intergovernmental organizations and non-governmental organizations**

Attendance at the opening and closing meetings and during consideration of the agenda item devoted to a general exchange of views will be allowed to specialized agencies, the International Atomic Energy Agency, regional intergovernmental organizations and non-governmental organizations, upon their request.

2. Every effort will be made to adopt decisions of the Meeting by consensus;

3. The working languages of the Meeting will be Arabic, English, French, Russian and Spanish;

4. Records will be issued for all decisions made;

5. Summary records will be provided under agenda item 9, as well as for the opening and the concluding meetings;

6. A record of decisions and recommendations taken at the Meeting will be transmitted to all States Parties and to the Conference;

7. Press releases will be issued at the United Nations Headquarters in New York and at the United Nations Office at Geneva at the conclusion of each meeting.