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With reference to Mr. Csillag's memorandum of 29 April on the above subject, attached please find a copy of the letter of appointment to Mr. O.N. Bykov. The Executive Director of UNITAR has been informed of this appointment and of the Secretary-General's agreement to Mr. Bykov serving as a member of the Advisory Council of the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research.

The Secretary-General has noted that Mr. Bykov is replacing Mr. Vladimir Shustov, who had served on the Advisory Board on an interim basis.

The attached letter was received from George M. Seignious II, the U.S. member of the Board, who resigned his position.

You may consider sending, on behalf of the Secretary-General, letters of appreciation to Mr. Shustov and to Mr. Seignious, under Mr. Syntenko's or your signature.
Dear Mr. Secretary-General:

I have recently received a letter from Mr. Ben Sanders, Secretary of the Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies, informing me that the sixth session of the Board will be held in New York during the period from May 4-15, 1981.

After careful consideration, I have regretfully concluded that it will not be possible in the future for me to devote the necessary time to preparation for and attendance at sessions of the Board. Under these circumstances, I feel that it would be best for me to resign, and I ask that you accept my resignation from the Board, effective immediately.

I have discussed this matter with officials of the U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, who inform me that they will in the near future be proposing for your consideration a new member of the Board.

It has been a distinct honor to have served as a member of the Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies. I appreciate the support which you and the members of the Secretariat have provided to the Board and to me personally.

Sincerely,

George M. Seignious II

His Excellency
Kurt Waldheim
The Secretary-General
of the United Nations
New York, NY 10017
1. The present member from the United States on the Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies, Ambassador George Seignious, II, has advised the Secretary-General in a letter dated 29 April 1981 that it will not be possible for him to devote the necessary time to the Advisory Board and has asked that his resignation from the Board be accepted, immediately.

2. A new nomination has not yet been made. The United States Mission confirms that a proposal is expected soon.

3. The Secretary-General may wish to send Ambassador Seignious a note to thank him for his assistance. A draft is attached for approval.
Dear Ambassador Seignious,

I learned with regret that you are no longer able to participate in the work of the Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies. Your experience in the field of disarmament and arms limitation has been a great asset in the discussions of the Advisory Board and I regret that this will no longer benefit from your eminent participation. I wish to thank you for the valuable contribution you have made to the work of the Board.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Kurt Waldheim

Ambassador George Seignious
c/o Mr. W. Menold
International Organizations/
United Nations Programmes, Rm. 6328
United States Department of State
320 21st St., N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20510

bcc: Mr. Craig Arness, US Mission to UN
1. The initial Soviet member of the Secretary-General's Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies was Ambassador A. Roschin, who, in the autumn of 1979, resigned for reasons of health. On that occasion you gave your agree-
ment to the appointment of Mr. V. Shustov, Deputy Permanent Repre-
tentative of the Soviet Union in New York, on an interim basis, suggesting that a senior official be
ominated by the USSR for permanent membership on the
Board.

2. Mr. Shustov has attended every session of the
Advisory Board since September 1979. The Soviet Union
has now nominated Mr. O.N. Bykov, Deputy Director of the
Institute of World Economy and International Relations
in Moscow and the Soviet member of the study group on
confidence-building measures as the permanent member.
If you agree, Mr. Bykov in that capacity would also be
one of the Advisory Board's representatives on the Advisory
Council of the United Nations Institute for Disarmament
Research. You may wish to note that you had already
ominated Mr. Shustov in that capacity.

3. If you consent with the nomination of Mr. Bykov,
a letter of appointment should be sent to him as usual
on your behalf, by the Under-Secretary-General, PSCA.
You might also consider it appropriate to send Mr. Shustov
a letter of thanks for his service on the Board, a copy
of which is attached.

4. Lastly, it would be appropriate to advise the
Executive Director of UNITAR of the change in membership
so that he may appoint Mr. Bykov as a member of the
Advisory Council of UNIDIR in lieu of Mr. Shustov. A
note drafted for that purpose is also attached.
Dear Mr. Bykov,

I was glad to learn of your availability to serve on the United Nations Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies, which I have established in pursuance of a decision by the Tenth Special Session of the General Assembly.

As you are aware, the Board advises me on various aspects of studies to be made under the auspices of the United Nations in the field of disarmament and arms limitation, including a programme on such studies. I attach particular importance to this Board, which is making a valuable contribution to the work of the United Nations in this vital area.

I am therefore pleased to appoint you as a member of the Advisory Board. Members serve for a period extending to 31 December 1981. As you may know, the Board has so far held five meetings and will convene again at United Nations Headquarters from 4 to 15 May 1981.

Yours sincerely,

Kurt Waldheim

Mr. C.N. Bykov

C/O Permanent Mission of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics

New York
NOTE FOR THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

The USSR has nominated Mr. Bykov for membership on the Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies. In accord with past practice, a letter confirming his appointment is attached for your signature.

Angela Knippenberg-Uther
29 April 1981
NOTE FOR THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

Ambassador Wyzner (Poland) informed me that in the absence of Foreign Advisor Agha Shahi he is chairing the current meeting of the Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies, which is going to last until Friday. In view of your official trip he will not be able to inform you personally of the outcome of this session, but requested me to transmit to you his very best wishes.

At the end of the session he will give me information on the Board's deliberations, which I will not fail to pass on to you.

Georg Mautner-Markhof
7 May 1980
21 April 1980

Dear Mr. Ambassador,

The Secretary-General would appreciate it very much if you could forward the enclosed letter to His Excellency Mr. George H. Seiglous II, who has been nominated by your Government as the U.S. member on the Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies of the United Nations.

A copy of this letter is enclosed for your information.

Accept, Mr. Ambassador, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Rafeeuddin Ahmed
Chef de Cabinet

His Excellency
Mr. Donald F. McHenry
United States Mission to the
United Nations
799 United Nations Plaza
New York, N.Y. 10017
Dear Mr. Ambassador,

I was glad to learn of your availability to serve on the United Nations Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies, which I have established in pursuance of a decision by the Tenth Special Session of the General Assembly.

As you are aware, the Board advises me on various aspects of studies to be made under the auspices of the United Nations in the field of disarmament and arms limitation, including a programme of such studies. I attach particular importance to this Board, which is making a valuable contribution to the work of the United Nations in this vital area.

I am therefore pleased to appoint you as a member of the Advisory Board. Members serve for a period extending to 31 December 1981. As you may know, the Board has so far held three meetings and will convene again at United Nations Headquarters from 23 April to 9 May 1980.

Accept, Mr. Ambassador, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Kurt Waldheim

His Excellency
Mr. George H. Seignious II
Washington, D.C.
Dear Mr. Jackson,

I have learned with regret of your resignation as a member of the Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies. I am sorry that the Advisory Board will no longer benefit from your participation, and I wish to thank you for the valuable contribution you have made to the Board's work.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Hurt Waldheim

Mr. William E. Jackson, Jr.
Alexandria, Virginia 22308
312 Cyrus Place
1. Mr. W.E. Jackson, Jr., who has been a member of the Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies for just over six months, has resigned. I have been informed that this is connected with the fact that he has relinquished his post as Executive Director of the General Advisory Committee on Arms Control and Disarmament.

2. In lieu of Mr. Jackson, the Government has submitted the candidature of Ambassador (previously General) George M. Seignious II, formerly head of the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, as the American Member of the Advisory Board.

3. I suggest following the procedure adopted previously, under which you would send (a) a letter of appointment to Mr. Seignious and (b) a letter of thanks to Mr. Jackson. Drafts of the two letters are attached.
April 16, 1980

The Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations presents his compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and has the honor to inform him that the Government of the United States nominates Ambassador George M. Seignious II as the U.S. member of the Secretary-General's Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies, replacing William E. Jackson, who has resigned.

UN-3546/284
25 February 1980

Excellency,

I was glad to learn of your availability to serve as a member on the United Nations Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies, which I have established in pursuance of a decision by the Tenth Special Session of the General Assembly.

As you are aware, the Board advises me on various aspects of studies to be made under the auspices of the United Nations in the field of disarmament and arms limitation, including a programme of such studies. I attach particular importance to this Board, which is making a valuable contribution to the work of the United Nations in this vital area.

I am therefore pleased to appoint you as a member of the Advisory Board. Members serve for the period until 31 December 1981. As you know, the Board has so far held three meetings and will convene again at United Nations Headquarters from 28 April until 9 May 1980.

Accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Kurt Waldheim

His Excellency
Mr. Lai Ya-li
Deputy Permanent Representative of the People's Republic of China to the United Nations
New York
1. Following our memorandum dated 6 February 1980, a note verbale has been received from the Permanent Representative of the People's Republic of China to the United Nations, proposing Mr. Lai Ya-li, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Deputy Permanent Representative of the People's Republic of China to the United Nations for membership of the Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies.

2. Attached for approval is the text of a letter of appointment which conforms with the model used in respect of previous appointments to the Advisory Board.
Excellency,

I was glad to learn of your availability to serve as a member on the United Nations Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies, which I have established in pursuance of a decision by the Tenth Special Session of the General Assembly.

As you are aware, the Board advises me on various aspects of studies to be made under the auspices of the United Nations in the field of disarmament and arms limitation, including a programme of such studies. I attach particular importance to this Board, which is making a valuable contribution to the work of the United Nations in this vital area.

I am therefore pleased to appoint you as a member of the Advisory Board. Members serve for the period until 31 December 1981. As you know, the Board has so far held three meetings and will convene again at United Nations Headquarters from 28 April until 9 May 1980.

Accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Kurt Waldheim

His Excellency
Mr. Carlos Lechuga Revia
Director of International Organizations
Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Havana
25 February 1980

Dear Mr. Ambassador,

The Secretary-General would appreciate it very much if you could forward the enclosed letter to His Excellency Mr. Carlos Lechuga Hevaa, Director of International Organizations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Cuba.

A copy of this letter is enclosed for your information.

Accept, Mr. Ambassador, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Rafeeuddin Ahmed
Chef de Cabinet

His Excellency
Dr. Raúl Roa-Kouri
Permanent Representative of Cuba to the United Nations
315 Lexington Avenue
New York, N.Y. 10016
1. The Permanent Representative of Cuba has informed us that his Government has decided to nominate Mr. Carlos Lechuga Hevia, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Director of International Organizations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, to replace Mr. José Luis Pérez, who died last year. Mr. Lechuga now occupies the post previously occupied by Mr. Pérez in the Foreign Ministry.

2. Attached for approval is the text of a letter of appointment which conforms with the model used in respect of previous appointments to the Advisory Board.

3. Following the appointment of Mr. Lechuga, Mr. Sanders, Secretary of the Advisory Board, will write to him and provide him with documentation on the previous sessions and information for the next one, including administrative details.
1. You will recall that, when in the summer of 1978, informal consultations took place with a number of permanent missions regarding membership of the Secretary-General's Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies, the Permanent Mission of China did not respond to our enquiry whether that State might make someone available to serve as a member of the Board.

2. On 5 February, the Permanent Mission of China unofficially informed Mr. Sanders, Secretary of the Advisory Board, that it was the intention of the Government of China to nominate for membership of the Board the Deputy Permanent Representative to the United Nations, Ambassador Lai Ya-li and advised that a note verbale to this effect might shortly be expected.

3. If Mr. Lai were to be appointed to the Advisory Board, this would mean that all Permanent Members of the Security Council would be represented. It may be noted that, after the Committee on Disarmament, the Advisory Board constitutes the second instance in which China has expressed a wish to join a permanent disarmament forum other than a subsidiary body of the General Assembly.
TO: The Secretary-General

THROUGH: S/C DE:

FROM: Jan Martenson
Assistant Secretary-General
Centre for Disarmament

SUBJECT: The Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies

1. The Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies is meeting at the moment. I have invited the members for a small reception on Wednesday, 10 October.

2. Since you have appointed these persons in their personal capacity to advise you, and since the group includes several Foreign Ministers, other very senior governmental officials and diplomats, and eminent persons from academic life, it would be very much appreciated if you could spare a few minutes to honour us with your presence.

3. You will recall that the composition of the Board has recently changed somewhat. An up-to-date list is attached.

4. The cocktail party will be held in room 3527 from 6.15 to 8.15.

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PS for SG from Linde:

You are hosting a reception from 6.30 - 7.30 pm in honour of 2 Andean Ministers (Bolivia + Paraguay) that day, and have two other receptions As for 10.
TO: Mr. Albert Rohan
A: Director
EOSG

THROUGH: S/C DE:

FROM: Jan Martenson
DE: Assistant-Secretary-General
Centre for Disarmament

SUBJECT: Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies

DATE: 26 September 1979

REFERENCE: 

1. I am responding to your memorandum dated 26 September 1979.

2. While I understand that the Soviet Government may eventually propose someone else to serve on the Advisory Board, I take it that Mr. V. Shustov should be appointed in the usual way, without mention of a limited tenure. A standard letter of appointment will be sent over Mr. Sytenko's signature.

3. I attach a draft of a letter of thanks the Secretary-General might wish to send to Ambassador Roschin.
In the course of his meeting with the Secretary-General, the Permanent Representative of the USSR, Ambassador Troyanovsky mentioned that Mr. Roschin, the Soviet member on the Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies, is to be relieved of his duties for reasons of health. In his place, Mr. Vladimir Shustov, the disarmament expert at the Soviet Mission to the United Nations, could participate in the work of the Advisory Board, at least during its forthcoming session.

The Secretary-General gave his agreement to the appointment of Mr. Shustov on an interim basis. He suggested, however, that a senior official be nominated by the USSR for permanent membership on the Advisory Board.

In the light of the above, the Secretary-General would be grateful if you could take the necessary steps for the appointment of Mr. Shustov to the Advisory Board.
1 October 1979

Mr. Jan Martenson
Assistant Secretary-General
Centre for Disarmament
Mr. Mikhail D. Sytenko
Under-Secretary-General for Political
and Security Council Affairs
Kafeeuddin Ahmed
Chef de Cabinet

Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies

1. With reference to the resignation of Dr. Jerome Wiesner, attached please find a copy of a letter of thanks to him from the Secretary-General.

2. I understand that a letter of appointment has been sent to Dr. Wiesner's replacement, Mr. William E. Jackson, Jr., over Mr. Sytenko's signature.

3. Also attached as a copy of a letter of thanks from the Secretary-General to Ambassador Roschin who resigned from the Board.
1 October 1972

Dear Mr. Ambassador,

The Secretary-General would appreciate it very much if you could forward the enclosed letter to His Excellency Ambassador Alexei Doschin, who has resigned as a member of the Advisory Board on Disarmament.

A copy of this letter is enclosed for your information.

Accept, Mr. Ambassador, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Rafeeuddin Ahmed
Chef de Cabinet

His Excellency
Mr. Oleg A. Troyanovsky
Permanent Representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics to the United Nations
136 East 67th Street
New York, N.Y. 10021
JKE/3 - cc: SG
Mr. Martensen
cc: Mission - for transmittal
File: Disarmament
xRef: USSR

1 October 1979

Dear Ambassador Roschin,

I was very sorry to learn of your resignation as a member of the Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies. Your knowledge and experience in the field of disarmament and arms limitation has been a great asset in the discussions in the Advisory Board and I wish to thank you for the most valuable contributions you have made to its work.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Kurt Kalischer

His Excellency
Ambassador Alexei Roschin
Moscow
Dear Professor Wiesner,

I have learned with regret of your resignation as a member of the Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies. I am sorry that the Advisory Board will no longer benefit from your eminent participation, and I wish to thank you for the valuable contribution you have made to the Board's work.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Kurt Waldheim

Professor Jerome Wiesner
President
Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02139
Room 3-208
TO: The Secretary-General
A: Mr. Mikhail D. Sytenko
THROUGH: S/C DE:
FROM: Jan Martenson
SUBJECT: Advisory Board - Replacement of US Member

DATE: 27 September 1979

1. Dr. Jerome Wiesner, the American member of the Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies has resigned. The United States Government is nominating Mr. William E. Jackson, Jr., to replace him. Mr. Jackson's background is given in the note from the US Mission of 25 September 1979, of which a copy is attached for your information. Enclosed for approval is a draft reply.

2. Dr. Wiesner was highly qualified to serve on the Board and was one of the few members from the academic world. His work as President of M.I.T., however, left him very little time to participate. Also attached for approval is a draft letter of thanks to him.

3. As a US official engaged in disarmament matters, Mr. Jackson should be in a good position to contribute to the Board's work. If you agree, the usual letter of appointment will be prepared for him, over the signature of Mr. Sytenko.

4. The third session of the Board will begin on 2 October.
The Secretary-General of the United Nations presents his compliments to the Permanent Representative of the United States of America and, with reference to the latter's note verbale no. UN-3526/254, notes that Dr. Jerome Wiesner has resigned as a member of the Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies, and that Mr. William E. Jackson is available to take his place.

The Secretary-General is pleased to inform the Permanent Representative that he is taking steps to appoint Mr. Jackson as a member of the Advisory Board.

27 September 1979
The Permanent Representative of the United States of America presents his compliments to the Secretary General of the United Nations and has the honor to inform him of the availability of William E. Jackson for appointment to the Secretary General's Board of Advisors on Disarmament Studies, to take the place of Jerome Wiesner, who has resigned.

Mr. Jackson is the Executive Secretary of the General Advisory Committee on Arms Control, a group of fifteen private citizens who advise the President of the United States, the Secretary of State, and the Director of the Arms Control Agency respecting matters affecting arms control, disarmament, and world peace.

Mr. Jackson's previous positions include serving as legislative assistant to Senator Alan Cranston of California, the Assistant Majority Leader of the United States Senate. He is currently an adjunct Professor in the School of Government and Public Affairs of American University, and has previously taught at Davidson College and the University of North Carolina. He is the author of a number of publications on government and international relations.
Excellency,

I was glad to learn of your availability to serve as a member on the United Nations Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies, which I have established in pursuance of a decision by the Tenth Special Session of the General Assembly.

As you are aware, the Board will advise me on various aspects of studies to be made under the auspices of the United Nations in the field of disarmament and arms limitation, including a programme of such studies. I attach particular importance to this Board which can make a highly valuable contribution to the work of the United Nations in this vital area.

I am therefore pleased to appoint you as a member of the Advisory Board. Members will serve for a period extending up to 31 December 1981. As you know, the Board has held its first meeting at United Nations headquarters in New York from 14 to 22 November 1978. The report of the Board on its first meeting is enclosed for your information.

Accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Kurt Waldheim

His Excellency
Mr. Abdalla Yaccoub Bishara
Permanent Representative of Kuwait to the United Nations
The Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies has completed its first session. Its report is annexed. This was adopted by consensus. A draft for a document transmitting it to the Assembly is attached, for approval.

The Board had 12 meetings. It worked hard, concentrating on the question of how to approach a comprehensive programme of study on disarmament. It agreed on several important substantive concepts, particularly the purposes to be served by the United Nations disarmament studies.

Your opening statement was very well received and set the direction for the deliberations. The discussions were held in a constructive atmosphere.

One area of potential dissent was the question whether the Board should comment on proposals for studies before they were submitted by Member States to the General Assembly. Several members rejected the idea of a "screening function" of the Board unless the Assembly itself takes a decision to that effect. Consensus was finally reached on paragraph 9, which makes this clear. It would seem doubtful that the Assembly would still take up this matter at its present session.

There has been no response yet from the Governments of Guinea, Sudan and Zambia to the invitation to participate, so that Africa is underrepresented. A new attempt should be made to remedy this. The matter of a Board member from Kuwait has now been resolved and a letter appointing Ambassador Bishara is enclosed for your signature.

The next meeting will be held from 30 April to 9 May 1979. The substance of a comprehensive programme of studies will be taken up then for the first time. To this end, the Secretariat was asked to prepare a working paper presenting all the elements that should be part of the programme.
Note for the file

The draft report of the Secretary-General was discussed with Mr. Björnerstedt on 11/28/78, who agreed with Mr. Ahmed's suggestions. A new draft was prepared by Mr. Björnerstedt and myself. The letter of appointment to Ambassador Bishara was signed and sent out today.

28 Nov. 1978
To: The Secretary-General

A: Mikhail D. Sytenko
Under-Secretary-General for
Political and Security Council Affairs

Through: S/C DE:

From: Rolf Björnerstedt
Assistant Secretary-General
Centre for Disarmament

Subject: Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies

DATE: 16 November 1978

REFERENCE: 

CONFIDENTIAL

1. The Advisory Board has had its first two days of meetings. This is an interim report on the discussions so far. The main items of discussion have been the mandate of the Board, the organization of its work and the question of methods and approaches in the selection of studies.

2. In connexion with the mandate, the Board agreed that it could take initiatives in recommending new studies when it felt a need existed. There appears also to be agreement that the Board could comment on the way studies are to be carried out and on their timing. This would introduce more coherence in their execution, for instance, by proposing to combine several related studies as elements of a single one. There are some suggestions that all future proposals on study submitted by Member States might be screened by the Board before they go to the General Assembly, but this is not a general view.

3. There appears to be a consensus that it is too late for the Board to comment, in depth, on the studies now under consideration by the General Assembly for 1979. However, it is expected that the Board will be in a position to make some general suggestions on the way those studies could be approached.

4. The Board has also begun to consider the studies that might be made in 1980 and further years. On the elaboration of a comprehensive programme, there has so far only been a general exchange of views.

5. It is evident that a number of sensitive questions exist with regard to the implementation of the Board's mandate, concerning recommendations for or (as proposed by some) against various disarmament studies. At this time it would seem that these questions should be worked out by the members of the Board themselves and that the Secretary-General's guidance of the work should remain that which was given in his opening address and in the working paper already submitted.
Excellency,

I was glad to learn of your availability to serve as a member on the United Nations' Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies, which I am establishing in pursuance of a decision by the Tenth Special Session of the General Assembly.

As you are aware, the Board will advise me on various aspects of studies to be made under the auspices of the United Nations in the field of disarmament and arms limitation, including a programme of such studies. I attach particular importance to this Board which can make a highly valuable contribution to the work of the United Nations in this vital area.

I am therefore pleased to appoint you as a member of the Advisory Board. Members will serve for a period extending up to 31 December 1981. The Board will hold its first meeting at United Nations Headquarters in New York from 14 to 22 November 1978.

Accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Kurt Waldheim

His Excellency
Dr. Enrique Gaviria-Lievano
New York
Señor Secretario General:

Tengo el honor de dirigirme a Vuestra Excelencia para referirme al documento final del décimo período extraordinario de sesiones de la Asamblea General, en cuyo Artículo 124 pide al Secretario General que establezca una Junta Consultiva de personas eminentes, seleccionadas sobre la base de su capacidad personal, para que lo asesore en materia de desarme y limitación de armamentos, incluido programa de estudios.

En atención a instrucciones impartidas por mi Gobierno, tengo el honor de presentar el nombre del Embajador Enrique GAVIRIA-LIEVANO para que haga parte de esa Junta y cuyas capacidades y experiencia se detallan en la Hoja de Vida adjunta.

Me valgo de la oportunidad para renovar a Vuestra Excelencia las seguridades de mi más alta y distinguida consideración,

[Signature]

Indalecio LIEVANO
Embajador
Representante Permanente

A S.E. Kurt WALDHEIM
Secretario General de las Naciones Unidas
Nueva York.
CURRICULUM VITAE

Nombre: ENRIQUE GAVIRIA-LIEVANO
Nacionalidad: Colombiana

I. TITULOS ACADEMICOS

Doctor en Derecho y Ciencias Sociales, Universidad Libre de Colombia, 1964.


Master en Derecho Comparado (MCL) Universidad de Michigan, 1970.

Certificado de Aplicación, Academia de Derecho Internacional de la Haya, 1970.

II. EXPERIENCIA DIPLOMATICA

Jefe de Tratados y Fronteras, Ministerio de Relaciones Exteriores.

Jefe de la Oficina de Organismos Internacionales, Ministerio de Relaciones Exteriores.

Ministro Consejero de la Misión de Colombia ante la Organización de Naciones Unidas.

Embajador Extraordinario y Plenipotenciario a la III Conferencia sobre el Derecho del Mar.

Embajador Extraordinario y Plenipotenciario XXXII período de sesiones de la Asamblea General de Naciones Unidas.

Embajador Extraordinario y Plenipotenciario XXXIII período de sesiones de la Asamblea General de Naciones Unidas.
Representante de Colombia al Comité Preparatorio Extraordinario de la Asamblea General dedicado al Desarme.

Delegado de Colombia ante el 10o. período extraordinario de sesiones de la Asamblea General, dedicado al Desarme.

Vicepresidente de la III Conferencia sobre el Derecho del Mar (III Comisión).

Vicepresidente de la Sexta Comisión, XXXI periodo de sesiones de la Asamblea General.

Presidente de la Sexta Comisión XXXII período de sesiones de la Asamblea General.

III. EXPERIENCIA ACADEMICA

Profesor Asociado de la Universidad Nacional.

Profesor de Derecho Constitucional, Universidad de los Andes.

Profesor de Derecho Aéreo, Universidad Nacional y Escuela Superior de Guerra.

IV. PUBLICACIONES

Hacia un Mercado Común Aéreo Latinoamericano, (Editorial Tercer Mundo).

Roncador, Quitasueño y Serrana (Análisis histórico y jurídico (Edit. Temis).

La Orbita Geoestacionaria y el Espacio Ultraterrestre (Editorial Externado de Colombia).
SECRETARY-GENERAL'S STATEMENT AT THE OPENING OF THE FIRST MEETING OF THE ADVISORY BOARD ON DISARMAMENT STUDIES

The following is the text of a statement made today by Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim, opening the first meeting of the Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies:

It is a great pleasure for me to open this first meeting of the Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies. The task you have assumed is of great potential benefit. It can help resolve the complexities which have hampered progress towards one of the central objectives of the United Nations.

It is evident that progress in disarmament depends on the active commitment of all States. Such commitment, however, can be based only on an objective insight into the problems involved. In order to find reliable means of halting and reversing the arms race, we need a better understanding of its causes and a clearer perception of the variety of its effects.

For this reason, the institution of studies on various aspects of disarmament and arms limitation has long been an undertaking of the United Nations. These studies aim at a reasoned assessment of the relevant facts in order to find a common ground for the understanding of specific problems and to support negotiations towards their solution. The studies made earlier under United Nations' auspices, such as those on the economic and social consequences of the arms race, helped in promoting an awareness of the magnitude of the phenomenon. Others on the reduction of military budgets, the questions of nuclear-weapon-free zones, of chemical weapons and of seismic detection of underground weapons tests have been instrumental in charting areas of possible agreement and narrowing those of divergence.

While these studies have contributed to some balanced appraisals, they were undertaken on a more or less ad hoc basis. There was, therefore, a felt need to plan and execute them in an integrated manner. Accordingly, at the tenth special session of the General Assembly, I said that it was important to develop a comprehensive approach to these studies. The idea was to relate them to a strategy for disarmament and to negotiations towards the implementation of that strategy. I was gratified that, in restructuring the disarmament machinery, the

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ADVISORY BOARD ON DISARMAMENT STUDIES

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SECRETARY-GENERAL'S STATEMENT AT THE OPENING OF THE
FIRST MEETING OF THE ADVISORY BOARD ON DISARMAMENT STUDIES

The following is the text of a statement made today by Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim, opening the first meeting of the Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies:

It is a great pleasure for me to open this first meeting of the Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies. The task you have assumed is of great potential benefit. It can help resolve the complexities which have hampered progress towards one of the central objectives of the United Nations.

It is evident that progress in disarmament depends on the active commitment of all States. Such commitment, however, can be based only on an objective insight into the problems involved. In order to find reliable means of halting and reversing the arms race, we need a better understanding of its causes and a clearer perception of the variety of its effects.

For this reason, the institution of studies on various aspects of disarmament and arms limitation has long been an undertaking of the United Nations. These studies aim at a reasoned assessment of the relevant facts in order to find a common ground for the understanding of specific problems and to support negotiations towards their solution. The studies made earlier under United Nations' auspices, such as those on the economic and social consequences of the arms race, helped in promoting an awareness of the magnitude of the phenomenon. Others on the reduction of military budgets, the questions of nuclear-weapon-free zones, of chemical weapons and of seismic detection of underground weapons tests have been instrumental in charting areas of possible agreement and narrowing those of divergence.

While these studies have contributed to some balanced appraisals, they were undertaken on a more or less ad hoc basis. There was, therefore, a felt need to plan and execute them in an integrated manner. Accordingly, at the tenth special session of the General Assembly, I said that it was important to develop a comprehensive approach to these studies. The idea was to relate them to a strategy for disarmament and to negotiations towards the implementation of that strategy. I was gratified that, in restructuring the disarmament machinery, the

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Excellency,

I was glad to learn of your availability to serve as a member on the United Nations' Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies, which I am establishing in pursuance of a decision by the Tenth Special Session of the General Assembly.

As you are aware, the Board will advise me on various aspects of studies to be made under the auspices of the United Nations in the field of disarmament and arms limitation, including a programme of such studies. I attach particular importance to this Board which can make a highly valuable contribution to the work of the United Nations in this vital area.

I am therefore pleased to appoint you as a member of the Advisory Board. Members will serve for a period extending up to 31 December 1978. The Board will hold its first meeting at United Nations headquarters in New York from 14 to 22 November 1978.

Accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Kurt Waldheim

His Excellency
Mr. Don Alejandro Rovira
Montevideo
Nueva York, 9 de noviembre de 1978.

Señor Secretario General:

Tengo el honor de dirigirme a Vuestra Excelencia, en oportunidad de referirme a la Junta de Asesores que, en materia de Desarme, se conformará en cumplimiento de lo dispuesto en el párrafo 124 de la Resolución A/RES/S-10/2, adop-
tada por el Décimo Período Extraordinario de Sesiones de la Asam-
blea General dedicado al Desarme.

En relación a ello, deseo transmitir a Vuestra Excelencia el interés del Gobierno de mi País en colaborar con los trabajos de dicha Junta.

En tal sentido, el Gobierno de la República Oriental del Uruguay desea someter a consideración de Vuestra Excelencia la nominación del señor don Alejandro Rovira como candidato a componer la Junta de Asesores a que me vengo refiriendo. Como es de conocimiento de Su Excelencia, el señor Don Alejandro Rovira fue Ministro de Relaciones Exteriores de mi País, y en tal carácter presidió, entre otras, la Delegación uruguaya al Décimo Período Extraordinario de Sesiones de la Asamblea General dedicado al Desarme.

Su conocida vocación por los temas de Desarme y la ini-
ciativa que presentara en el Décimo Período Extraordinario de Sesiones respecto la creación de un Instituto Polemológico, han de servir sin duda, a Vuestra Excelencia, como guías para la atenta consideración de su nominación para componer la Junta.

En la seguridad de ello, me valgo de la oportunidad para reiterar a Vuestra Excelencia las seguridades de mi más alta estima y consideración personal.

A Su Excelencia
Kurt Waldheim
Secretario General de la Organización de las Naciones Unidas
Nueva York.
I forward the attached memorandum to you with reference to our discussion this morning when I expressed my views on the matter.
1. The Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies will meet for its first session on Tuesday, 14 November, at 10.30. So far, you have appointed eminent persons from 23 States out of the 31 invited. A list of the appointees is attached. Nominations are being made today by Cuba and the United Kingdom. No nominations have yet been made by Colombia, Guyana, Sudan, Uruguay or Zambia, although their representatives have assured us that they had urged their capitals to take appropriate action. The appointment of Mr. Imam of Kuwait has been left pending.

2. A draft of the opening address has already been submitted to you. This contains general statements of policy as to what one should expect of disarmament studies and on the functions of the Advisory Board in that respect. While the draft stresses the desirability of a comprehensive approach to a study programme, it suggests that at this stage, when the Board still has to organize its work, you might wish to limit your request for advice to a choice of appropriate subjects from among the proposals for studies made at the tenth special session.

3. The address, which sets the Board's frame of reference, would be circulated to it as its basic document. It will also furnish the main elements for a press release.

4. It is proposed that meetings of the Board should be presided over by one of the members, to be named as Chairman for one year, and that they should be attended by myself as your representative on the Board.

5. There should be an understanding on some general operating procedures for the Board, although, given its advisory function and the need for free and informal exchanges, formal rules of procedure are not called for. I suggest that it would be appropriate for me to outline these procedures on your behalf. It will be desirable that the Board should be aware, before the Chairman takes over, of your wish to establish such procedures, and the "brief" which is attached accordingly suggests that you make a reference to this point.
6. There appears at present to be only one candidate for the post of Chairman: Mr. Agha Shahi from Pakistan. The question is whether the chairman should be named by you or elected by the Board. There are arguments for and against both options. The wording in the attached "brief", with which it is suggested you could refer to this matter, has been so chosen to avoid a choice between the two approaches.

7. Background information for the Board has been prepared and will be available for the meeting.

8. May I request your approval to proceed accordingly?
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Opening Meeting of the Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies

Brief for the Secretary-General

The following text is proposed for delivery after the conclusion of the opening address:

"Before I close, I wish to make some further brief remarks. I have appointed Dr. Rolf Bjornerstedt, the Head of the Centre for Disarmament, to be my representative on the Board. Dr. Bjornerstedt will report to me on the work of the Advisory Board and may be consulted on all matters on which it is felt that the attention of the Secretary-General is required. Dr. Bjornerstedt will apprise you of some general procedures which I consider should be followed in the conduct of the Board's work.

It is customary that a body of a size of the Advisory Board should have a chairman to conduct its business. In order to permit the Board the greatest possible freedom in formulating its advice, I consider that it should have a chairman from among its midst. I understand that Mr. Agha Shahi would be willing to take on this function for the first year and I am very pleased to accept this as I am sure that his vast experience will be of great value in this task.

I, therefore, invite Mr. Agha Shahi to take his place on the rostrum."
Sir,

Enclosed please find a draft letter of appointment to the members of the Secretary-General's Advisory Board on Disarmament for your approval.

IL
20. October 1978
The Secretary General

DATE: 18 October 1978

REFERENCE: 

Rolf Björnerstedt
Assistant-Secretary-General
Centre for Disarmament

SUBJECT: Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies

1. I forward herewith for your approval and signature letters of appointment from you to the candidates nominated by the Governments of Argentina, Austria, Canada, Egypt, France, Ghana, Japan, India, Italy, Mauritius, Mexico, Norway, Pakistan, Philippines, Poland, Romania, Sri Lanka, United States, Yugoslavia for membership in the Advisory Board. In addition to the names already submitted by official letters of nomination, we have been advised that other Governments will soon communicate formally their nominees. As soon as those communications are received, we shall prepare identical draft letters for your consideration.

2. A memorandum containing details of travel and other financial arrangements for members of the Advisory Board will be attached to the letters of appointment.

3. If the letters forwarded herewith meet with your approval, they could be sent to the Permanent Missions of the countries concerned.

4. In the meantime, notes verbales are being sent to the Permanent Representatives of all countries which were requested to nominate candidates, informing them that the first session of the Advisory Board will be held at United Nations Headquarters in New York from 14 to 22 November 1978.
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Kurt Waldheim
Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies: Danish candidacy -

It will be recalled that Denmark had shown strong interest in her candidacy for the Advisory Board and had on several occasions expressed her concern that she was not one of the 29 countries which had been contacted by the Secretary-General in this regard. During his visit to Copenhagen (19 September 1978), Mr. Bjornerstedt had discussed this problem with the Danish Foreign Ministry in order to give the necessary explanations.

It is noted, in this connexion, that the Danish Foreign Minister, during his meeting with the Secretary-General on 28 September, did not pursue this matter.
Appointments to the Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies

1. The following States were informally requested to consider nominating "eminent persons" to serve on the Secretary-General's Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies: Argentina, Austria, Bulgaria, Canada, China, Columbia, Cuba, Czechoslovakia, Egypt, France, Federal Republic of Germany, Ghana, Guinea, India, Japan, Kuwait, Mauritius, Mexico, Norway, Pakistan, Romania, Sri Lanka, Sudan, USSR, UK, US, Uruguay, Yugoslavia, Zambia.

2. The following formal nominations have so far been received:

- **Argentina**
  - Amb. Ortiz de Rozas

- **Egypt**
  - Amb. Hussein Khallaf

- **France**
  - Senator P. Taittinger (Vice-Chairman of the French delegation to the Tenth Special Session)

- **Japan**
  - Amb. A. Matsui (Advisor, Ministry of Foreign Affairs; President, Japan Atomic Energy Relations Organization)

- **Kuwait**
  - Mr. Z. Imam (Advisor for Legal Affairs to the Permanent Mission)

- **Mexico**
  - Amb. Garcia Robles

- **Norway**
  - Amb. O. Vaernø

- **Pakistan**
  - Mr. Agha Shahi (Advisor to the President on Foreign Affairs)

- **Romania**
  - Amb. C. Ene (Representative to the CCD and Permanent Representative in Geneva)
China has indicated that it is not intending to participate. All others have informally confirmed they are considering the matter and we have for some time pursued the matter in order to urge early replies.

3. With your permission, I would now prepare the confirmation of the appointments of the nominees in the form called for by the respective communications.

4. As you will recall, candidatures have also been received in writing from three States which had not initially been approached, i.e., Denmark (Mr. H. Peterson, former Minister for Disarmament), Italy (Amb. P. Vinci), and Poland (Amb. E. Wyzner). I would appreciate having an opportunity to discuss with you what further action should be taken in regard to these candidatures.

5. Initially, it had been hoped that the Board would meet for the first time from 23 October to 3 November. Informal consultations, made in the light of delays in the nominations, reveal that those involved would be flexible regarding a possible postponement. I think that it might be feasible to hold the first meeting from 13 to 24 November, but a final decision would still have to depend on the receipt of further candidatures.

6. Please be advised that Pakistan has advanced the candidature of Mr. Agha Shahi as Chairman of the Advisory Board.

cc: Mr. Sytenko