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COMMITTEE ON THE PEACEFUL USES OF THE SEA-BED  
AND THE OCEAN FLOOR BEYOND THE LIMITS OF  
NATIONAL JURISDICTION

LETTER DATED 10 OCTOBER 1969 FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF  
THE COMMITTEE ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

The General Assembly, in operative paragraph 3 of resolution 2467 A (XXIII), has called upon the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of the Sea-Bed and the Ocean Floor beyond the Limits of National Jurisdiction "to study further, within the context of the title of the item, and taking into account the studies and international negotiations being undertaken in the field of disarmament, the reservation exclusively for peaceful purposes of the sea-bed and the ocean floor...". During its third session held in August this year, the Committee considered this matter and expressed the hope that it would be kept informed of the progress of the current negotiations in the conference of the Committee on Disarmament. This is mentioned in paragraph 18 of the Committee's report - A/7622.

By operative paragraph 4 (a) of resolution 2467 A (XXIII), the Committee is requested to work in close co-operation with other intergovernmental bodies working within its area of activity. Operative paragraph 5 of resolution 2467 A (XXIII) creates a reciprocal obligation on the part of intergovernmental bodies to co-operate fully with the Committee in the implementation of the resolution.

As there have been developments in the conference of the Committee on Disarmament which would be of interest to the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of the Sea-Bed and the Ocean Floor, I should be most grateful if you could kindly see your way to informing the members of the Committee on the Sea-Bed and the

Ocean Floor on the progress of the negotiations in the conference of the  
Committee on Disarmament.

Accept, etc.

(Signed) H.S. AMERASINGHE  
Chairman,  
Committee on the Peaceful Uses of the  
Sea-Bed and the Ocean Floor beyond the  
Limits of National Jurisdiction

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