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SUMMARY. MINISTERS FROM AFGHANISTAN, CZECHOSLOVAKIA, BAHRAIN AND CAMEROON PRESENTED GENERAL DEBATE SPEECHES IN UNGA MORNING OF OCTOBER 3. THE FIRST TWO FOLLOWED THE SOVIET LINE WHILE LATTER TWO CALLED FOR REDUCTION IN TENSIONS WORLDWIDE, BAHRAIN EMPHASIZING MIDDLE EAST AND CAMEROON AFRICAN PROBLEMS. END SUMMARY.

1. MINISTER OF EDUCATION DR. ABDUR RASHID JALILI OF AFGHANISTAN OPENED THE OCTOBER 3 GENERAL DEBATE WITH A REVIEW OF THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE "NEW DEMOCRATIC ORDER" INSTALLED IN HIS COUNTRY BY THE "GREAT REVOLUTION" OF APRIL 27, 1978. HE NOTED THE FRIENDLY RELATIONS THAT EXIST BETWEEN AFGHANISTAN AND MOST OF ITS NEIGHBORS AND EXPRESSED HOPE THAT THE "NATIONAL ISSUE OF THE PASHTOON AND BALUCH PEOPLE" COULD BE AMICABLE, SETTLED BETWEEN AFGHANISTAN AND PAKISTAN. JALILI DECLARED THAT THE PRINCIPLES OF THE UN CHARTER AND THE DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS ARE CORNERSTONES OF AFGHAN FOREIGN POLICY. HE SUPPORTED THE POLISH PROPOSAL FOR A DECLARATION OF THE "PREPARATION OF SOCIETIES FOR LIFE IN PEACE." HE SAID THAT A MINORITY OF COUNTRIES HAVE FRUSTRATED THE PEACEFUL GOALS OF THE UN, ALLOWING PROBLEMS TO STAGNATE OR DETERIORATE. DETENTE MUST BE APPLIED TO ALL AREAS OF UNCLASSIFIED

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THE WORLD, JALILI STATED; MILITARY STRENGTH NO LONGER DETERS AGGRESSION IN AN INTERDEPENDENT WORLD, AND HE CALLED ON ALL COUNTRIES TO END THE ARMS RACE. HE ALSO VOICED STRONG SUPPORT FOR THE USSR PROPOSAL ON STRENGTHENING SECURITY GUARANTEES FOR NON-NUCLEAR STATES. HE CALLED FOR THE DESIGNATION OF THE INDIAN OCEAN AS A ZONE OF PEACE, AND FOR THE DISMANTLING OF MILITARY INSTALLATIONS THERE, INCLUDING DIEGO GARCIA.

2. ON OTHER ISSUES, JALILI CALLED FOR SUPPORT OF SWAPO IN ITS STRUGGLE AGAINST THE SOUTH AFRICAN REGIME. HE HOPED THAT GENUINE REPRESENTATIVES OF ZIMBABWE AND NAMIBIA WOULD SOON BE JOINING THE UN. IN THE HORN OF AFRICA, JALILI SUPPORTED ETHIOPIA IN ITS STRUGGLE FOR INDEPENDENCE AND TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY AND ARGUED THAT SUPPORT OF OTHER COUNTRIES FOR THIS PURPOSE IS JUSTIFIED. IN THE MIDDLE EAST, JALILI SEES THE RECOVERY OF THE RIGHTS OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE TO SELF-DETERMINATION AND A HOMELAND, AND THE WITHDRAWAL OF ISRAEL FROM OCCUPIED TERRITORY AS THE KEYS TO STABILITY AND PEACE. TO ACHIEVE THIS, HE CALLED FOR THE CONVENING OF THE GENEVA CONFERENCE WITH ALL PARTIES, INCLUDING THE PLO, PARTICIPATING.

HE CALLED FOR DEFEAT OF "CONSPIRACIES" AGAINST LEBANON, THE PALESTINE CAUSE AND THE ARAB NATION AND ASKED THAT AID AND SUPPORT BE GIVEN TO THE RESTORATION OF STABILITY IN LEBANON. THE PROBLEM OF CYPRUS CAN BE SOLVED ONLY BY THE CYPRIOTS THEMSELVES, WITH THE ASSURANCE OF THE TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY, SOVEREIGNTY, INDEPENDENCE AND NON-ALIGNMENT OF THE ISLAND. AFGHANISTAN SUPPORTS UN RESOLUTIONS ON THE REUNIFICATION OF KOREA BASED ON THE WITHDRAWAL OF ALL FOREIGN FORCES.

3. ON ECONOMIC ISSUES, AFGHANISTAN VIEWS THE DISPARITY BETWEEN RICH AND POOR NATIONS AS A MORAL AS WELL AS AN

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ECONOMIC ISSUE, WHICH RESULTS FROM THE IMBALANCED ECONOMIC STRUCTURE THAT BENEFITS A MINORITY OF COUNTRIES AT THE EXPENSE OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. JALILI BLAMED THE DEVELOPED COUNTRIES FOR FAILING TO ALLOCATE 0.7 PERCENT OF THEIR GNP TO OFFICIAL DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE AND FOR ATTACHING CONDITIONS TO AID WHEN IT IS GIVEN. HE ASKED THAT THE DEBT BURDENS OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES BE ALLEVIATED, AND HE ASSERTED THAT THE EXORBITANT INTEREST RATES ON LOANS DEFEAT THE PURPOSE OF AID. FINALLY, JALILI ASKED THAT LANDBLOCKED COUNTRIES BE GIVEN SPECIAL CONSIDERATION IN THE FORMULATION OF THE NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER IN THE AREAS OF FREE ACCESS TO THE SEA.

4. CZECHOSLOVAKIAN FOREIGN MINISTER BOHUSLAV CHNOUPEK SUPPORTED THE SOVIET POLICY LINE, EXPRESSING STRONG SUPPORT FOR DETENTE THROUGHOUT HIS SPEECH AND SAYING IT SHOULD BE APPLIED TO ALL SPHERES OF RELATIONS BETWEEN COUNTRIES. ON ECONOMIC ISSUES, CHNOUPEK SUPPORTED THE ADOPTION OF A NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER WHICH MUST BE BASED ON MUTUALLY ADVANTAGEOUS RELATIONS AMONG ALL COUNTRIES--"THE SOCIALIST, THE CAPITALIST AND THE DEVELOPING ONES." CZECHOSLOVAKIA VIEWS THE FINAL DOCUMENT OF THE SSOD AS A REALISTIC ASSESSMENT OF DISARMAMENT ISSUES THAT SETS OUT CONCRETE GOALS AND IN PARTICULAR SUPPORTS THE SOVIET PROPOSALS ON PRACTICAL MEASURES FOR ENDING THE ARMS RACE AND ON SECURITY GUARANTEES FOR NON-NUCLEAR STATES. DISARMAMENT WOULD BE GREATLY
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FURTHERED BY EARLY AGREEMENTS ON STRATEGIC ARMS LIMITATIONS AND ON A GENERAL BAN ON NUCLEAR WEAPONS TESTS.

5. IN AFRICA, CZECHOSLOVAKIA SUPPORTS INDEPENDENCE FOR ZIMBABWE AND NAMIBIA IN LINE WITH UN RESOLUTIONS. ON THE MIDDLE EAST, CHNOUPEK STATED THAT SEPARATE NEGOTIATIONS WHEREVER THEY ARE HELD, INCLUDING CAMP DAVID, ARE AGAINST THE INTERSTS OF ARAB NATIONS. SEPARATE NEGOTIATIONS NEVER ADDRESS ISSUES COMPREHENSIVELY, SO THEY CAN NEVER LEAD TO PEACE, ONLY TO CONTINUED INSTABILITY. THE MOST SUITABLE PLACE FOR A COMPREHENSIVE SETTLEMENT IS THE GENEVA CONFERENCE, WITH THE PARTICIPATION OF ALL CONCERNED PARTIES, INCLUDING THE PLO. CHNOUPEK THOUGHT THE CYPRUS PROBLEM COULD ONLY BE SOLVED ON THE BASIS OF PERTINENT UN RESOLUTIONS, AND HE CALLED FOR THE SPEEDY AND PEACEFUL REUNIFICATION OF KOREA.

6. FOREIGN MINISTER MOHAMED BIN MUBARAK AL-KHALIFA OF BAHRAIN TERMED THE PROBLEM OF THE PALESTINIANS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT AND PRESSING, ADDING THAT ANY NEGOTIATIONS SHOULD BE UNDER THE UN AND CALLING FOR EARLY CONVENING OF THE GENEVA CONFERENCE. NO PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE IN THE MIDDLE EAST, BAHRAIN BELIEVES, DUE TO "PERSISTENT REFUSAL" OF ISRAEL TO RECOGNIZE RIGHTS OF PALESTINIANS AND PLO AS THEIR SOLE LAWFUL REPRESENTATIVE. HE CALLED FOR A COMPLETE WITHDRAWAL OF ISRAEL FROM ALL ARAB TERRITORIES AND CHAPTER VII SANCTIONS IF IT DID NOT ABANDON "EXPANSIONISM." ON AFRICA, THE FONMIN NOTED ARMED CONFLICT AND TENSIONS AFFECT DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, NOT JUST GREAT POWERS AND ASKED FOR A GA DECLARATION CONDEMNING INTERFERENCE IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF OTHER STATES. HE CALLED PRETORIA'S REJECTION OF UN PLAN FOR NAMIBIAN INDEPENDENCE "AN OUTRAGEOUS VIOLATION" OF UN RESOLUTIONS, AND ASKED THE WORLD BODY TO "CARRY OUT ITS RESPONSIBILITIES" TOWARDS PEOPLES OF ZIMBABWE AND NAMIBIA BY TAKING EFFECTIVE

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MEASURES AGAINST RACIAL REGIMES IN SALISBURY AND PRETORIA. BAHRAIN SUPPORTS UN EFFORTS TO ESTABLISH A NUCLEAR-WEAPONS-FREE ZONE IN MIDDLE EAST AND A ZONE OF PEACE IN THE INDIAN OCEAN. LOS: THE FONMIN SUPPORTED THE CALL FOR

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NO UNILATERAL NATIONAL LEGISLATION (FOR THE EXPLORATION
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CONCLUSION OF THE LOS CONVENTION COVERING THIS QUESTION.

7. THE FONMIN OF CAMEROON, JEAN KEUTCHA, SPOKE WITH

CONCERN AND HOPE REGARDING THE STATE OF THE WORLD. TALKING OF INCREASED TENSIONS, ESPECIALLY IN AFRICA, HE ASKED FOR AN INCREASE IN THE UN'S POWER TO DEAL WITH SUCH PROBLEMS AND SPOKE OF NEED FOR INCREASED PARTICIPATION BY THIRD WORLD OR "INTERNATIONALIZATION AND DEMOCRATIZATION OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS." AS PARTICIPANT IN SSOD, CAMEROON "DEPLORES" FACT HIGH HOPES RAISED DID NOT LEAD TO CHANGE. CAMEROON, HE INDICATED, IS "CONCERNED" BY LACK OF COOPERATION BETWEEN NUCLEAR STATES. CAMEROON ALSO DEPLORES AMOUNTS SPENT ON ARMAMENT AS OPPOSED TO DEVELOPMENT. THE FONMIN SAID THAT ONLY THE NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC WORLD ORDER SEEMS CAPABLE OF BRINGING ABOUT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND THAT HIS COUNTRY WELCOMED CREATION OF COW. LATTER CANNOT BE CONSIDERED A "MERE FORUM", BUT NEEDS "CONCRETE, BOLD, IMAGINATIVE ACTION". CAMEROON HOPES PRESENT SESSION LEADS TO MORE "MUTUAL CONFIDENCE."

8. KEUTCHA CALLED "MOST REGRETTABLE" THE "OUTLAW REGIMES" OF PRETORIA AND SALISBURY WHICH, HE SAID, ARE STILL DEFENDED BY SOME. HE CRITICIZED VIOLATIONS OF SANCTIONS DESPITE NEAR UNANIMOUS CONDEMNATION OF THESE REGIMES. CAMEROON WELCOMED RESOLUTION 435, CALLED FOR UNTAG TO UNCLASSIFIED

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INSURE FREE ELECTIONS AND INDEPENDENCE FOR NAMIBIA, AND REAFFIRMED SUPPORT FOR SWAPO. IT ALSO COMPLETELY SUPPORTS LIBERATION STRUGGLE OF PEOPLE OF ZIMBABWE UNDER PATRIOTIC FRONT. KEUTCHA SAID PALESTINIAN PROBLEM IS AT CORE OF MIDDLE EAST PROBLEM. HE CALLED FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF SC RESOLUTIONS 242 AND 338 AND PARTICIPATION IN NEGOTIATIONS OF PLO, "GENUINE REPRESENTATIVE" OF PALESTINIANS. CAMP DAVID AGREEMENTS GIVE HOPE BUT ALSO GIVE RISE, THE FONMIN SUGGESTED, TO "AMBIGUITIES, SHORTCOMINGS AND UNCERTAINTIES." ON LOS, CAMEROON BELIEVES DISCUSSIONS HAVE GONE ON LONG ENOUGH TO PERMIT AGREEMENT TO BE REACHED AND PROPOSED 1979 BE LAST YEAR OF LOS CONFERENCE. YOUNG

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