

**Conference on Disarmament
2007-2013**

Jordan, Kuwait, Latvia, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malta, Mauritius, Moldova, Montenegro, Nepal, Oman, the Philippines, Portugal, Qatar, Serbia, Singapore, Slovenia, Sudan, The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, United Arab Emirates, Yemen and Zambia.

11. The following document dealing with the issue of attendance and participation of States not members of the Conference was submitted to the Conference: CD/1810, entitled "Letter dated 22 January 2007 from the Permanent Representative of the Republic of Turkey addressed to the Secretary-General of the Conference on Disarmament regarding the requests for participation in the work of the Conference during 2007 from non-member States".

D. Agenda and programme of work for the 2007 session

12. At its 1048th plenary meeting on 24 January 2007, following a debate at which the content of the draft agenda presented by the President of the Conference in accordance with Rule 29 of the Rules of Procedure was reviewed, the Conference on Disarmament adopted its agenda for the 2007 session. The agenda (CD/1807) reads as follows:

"Taking into account, inter alia, the relevant provisions of the Final Document of the First Special Session of the General Assembly devoted to disarmament, and deciding to resume its consultations on the review of its agenda, and without prejudice to their outcome, the Conference adopts the following agenda for its 2007 session:

1. Cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament.
2. Prevention of nuclear war, including all related matters.
3. Prevention of an arms race in outer space.
4. Effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons.
5. New types of weapons of mass destruction and new systems of such weapons; radiological weapons.
6. Comprehensive programme of disarmament.
7. Transparency in armaments.
8. Consideration and adoption of the annual report and any other report, as appropriate, to the General Assembly of the United Nations."

13. Subsequently, the President made the following statement: "In connection with the adoption of the agenda, I, as the President of the Conference, should like to state that it is my understanding that if there is a consensus in the Conference to deal with any issues, they could be dealt with within this agenda. The Conference will also take into consideration rules 27 and 30 of the rules of procedure of the Conference."

14. Pursuant to paragraph 28 of the 2006 report of the Conference (CD/1805), the last President of the 2006 session (Slovakia) and the first President of the 2007 session (South Africa), in cooperation with the five incoming Presidents of the 2007 session (Spain, Sri Lanka, Sweden, Switzerland and the Syrian Arab Republic)

conducted informal consultations during the intersessional period with a view to commencing early substantive work during the 2007 session of the Conference.

15. Subsequently, at the 1048th plenary meeting on 24 January 2007, the President, Ambassador Glandine Mtshali (South Africa), reported that the 2007 Presidents of the Conference appointed the following Coordinators:

(a) Ambassador Wegger Strømmen of Norway for agenda item 1 entitled "Cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament",

(b) Ambassador Carlo Trezza of Italy for agenda item 2 entitled "Prevention of nuclear war, including all related matters",

(c) Ambassador Paul Meyer of Canada for agenda item 3 entitled "Prevention of an arms race in outer space",

(d) Ambassador Carlos Paranhos of Brazil for agenda item 4 entitled "Effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons",

(e) Ambassador Petko Draganov of Bulgaria for agenda item 5 entitled "New types of weapons of mass destruction and new systems of such weapons; radiological weapons",

(f) Ambassador Makarim Wibisono of Indonesia for agenda item 6 entitled "Comprehensive programme of disarmament", and

(g) Ambassador John Duncan of the United Kingdom for agenda item 7 entitled "Transparency in armaments".

The President also informed that these Coordinators would work under the authority of the 2007 Presidents. The Coordinators were to report on the outcome of the discussions on the relevant agenda items to the 2007 Presidents of the Conference. The incumbent President was to present a finalized report, under his/her own responsibility, to the Conference. The 2007 Presidents furthermore put forward an organizational framework, contained in document CD/2007/CRP.1, for the Conference during its 2007 session. This was done without prejudice to any future decisions of the Conference on its programme of work.

16. Under the Presidency of Ambassador Juan Antonio March (Spain), intensive consultations were conducted with all delegations to work out the basis for an agreement to begin substantive work in the CD. At the 1062nd plenary meeting, on 23 March 2007, the President, Ambassador Sarala Fernando (Sri Lanka), referring to the work done during the first part of the session and assessing its results, introduced a Presidential Draft Decision (CD/2007/L.1). This draft decision was supplemented by a complementary Presidential statement which is an integral part of this Presidential Draft Decision.

17. On 30 March 2007, the President submitted a document entitled "Presidential report to the Conference on Disarmament on part I of the 2007 session" (CD/1820*), which contained, inter alia, an evaluation of the work done during this part, as well as the proposal of the 2007 Presidents.

18. Following the introduction of the Presidential Draft Decision successive Presidents conducted intensive consultations with a view to reaching an agreement

on it. These efforts are summed up in the document entitled "Presidential report to the Conference on Disarmament on part II of the 2007 session" (CD/1825).

19. At the 1071st plenary meeting, on 14 June 2007, the President, Ambassador Elisabet Borsini Bonnier (Sweden), referring to the informal open-ended Presidential consultations held to explore ways to move forward towards a programme of work on the basis of the Presidential Draft Decision (CD/2007/L.1**), submitted to the Conference a "Complementary Presidential Statement Reflecting an Understanding of the Conference on the Implementation of CD/2007/L.1**", contained in document CD/2007/CRP.5*, as well as a "Draft Decision by the Conference", contained in document CD/2007/CRP.6, on the interrelationship between CD/2007/L.1** and CD/2007/CRP.5*. These three documents constitute what will be referred to, in the upcoming paragraphs of this report, as the Presidential Proposal.

20. On 30 August 2007, the President, Ambassador Faysal Khabbaz-Hamoui (Syrian Arab Republic) submitted a document entitled "Presidential report to the Conference on Disarmament on part III of the 2007 session" (CD/1828*), which contained, inter alia, an assessment of the consultations held with a view to reaching an agreement on the Presidential Proposal. This assessment led to the following:

A wide range of delegations expressed their support for the Presidential Proposal. Some delegations, though they had some concerns about certain elements in the Proposal, said that they would not oppose consensus on it. Others expressed their position that more work and consultations were needed to reach a consensus on it. The CD has achieved substantive progress by conducting important thematic debates on all agenda items and advancing considerably in its efforts but could not yet reach consensus on a programme of work. A momentum was created to move the CD out of its longstanding stalemate, and the efforts to reach an agreement to start substantive work must be continued.

21. The following documents dealing with the issue of agenda and programme of work were submitted to the Conference:

(a) CD/1820*, entitled "Presidential report to the Conference on Disarmament on part I of the 2007 session";

(b) CD/1825, entitled "Presidential report to the Conference on Disarmament on part II of the 2007 session";

(c) CD/1828*, entitled "Presidential report to the Conference on Disarmament on part III of the 2007 session";

(d) CD/2007/L.1**, entitled "Presidential Draft Decision", annexed to document CD/1828*;

(e) CD/2007/CRP.5*, entitled "Complementary Presidential Statement Reflecting an Understanding of the Conference on the Implementation of CD/2007/L.1**", annexed to document CD/1828*;

(f) CD/2007/CRP.6, entitled "Draft Decision by the Conference", annexed to document CD/1828*.

CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT

CD/1820*

30 March 2007

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PRESIDENTIAL REPORT TO THE CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT ON PART I OF THE 2007 SESSION

1. On 24 January 2007 Ambassador Mtshali of South Africa in her capacity as the President of the Conference on Disarmament announced that the 2007 Presidents of the Conference have appointed the following as Co-ordinators:

Ambassador Wegger Strømme of Norway for agenda item 1 entitled "Cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament", Ambassador Carlo Trezza of Italy for agenda item 2 entitled "Prevention of nuclear war, including all related matters", Ambassador Paul Meyer of Canada for agenda item 3 entitled "Prevention of an arms race in outer space", Ambassador Carlos Paranhos of Brazil for agenda item 4 entitled "Effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons", Ambassador Petko Draganov of Bulgaria for agenda item 5 entitled "New types of weapons of mass destruction and new systems of such weapons; radiological weapons", Ambassador Makarim Wibisono of Indonesia for agenda item 6 entitled "Comprehensive programme of disarmament", and Ambassador John Duncan of the United Kingdom for agenda item 7 entitled "Transparency in armaments".

2. The 2007 Presidents of the Conference have undertaken to assess the work done during the first part of the session and to propose a way forward for the second part of the session. This report is based on their interaction with and inputs received from all Co-ordinators, their own participation in the plenaries and the informal meetings, bilateral consultations with all delegations, and meetings with groups and group co-ordinators.

3. During the first part of the session the Coordinators have chaired a large number of informal meetings under the authority of the 2007 Presidents of the Conference, during which the member States had the opportunity to carry out thorough discussions on all agenda items.

(a) The informal meetings under agenda item 1 covered a wide spectrum of issues, including a

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possible convention prohibiting nuclear weapons, other legal instruments, a phased programme on nuclear disarmament, as well as transparency and confidence-building measures. Several other specific measures were also discussed.

- (b) The informal meetings under agenda item 2 covered several issues but delegations tended to focus on a possible treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons and other nuclear explosive devices.
- (c) The informal meetings under agenda item 3 covered several issues related to the prevention of an arms race in outer space, including possible elements of a future international legal instrument on the prevention of the placement of weapons in outer space, as well as proposals for transparency and confidence-building measures.
- (d) The informal meetings under agenda item 4 covered several issues, including a possible legally binding instrument to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons, as well as nuclear-weapon-free zones.
- (e) During the informal meetings under agenda item 5, a variety of issues related to this agenda item was raised. Delegations expressed their views on these issues and their relevance to the Conference.
- (f) The informal meetings under agenda item 6 identified a wide spectrum of issues, some of which were dealt with by other Co-ordinators or in other fora.
- (g) During the informal meetings under agenda item 7, a variety of issues was raised. Delegations expressed their views on these issues and their relevance to the Conference.

4. The above has given ground for the assessment that:

- (a) a certain momentum has been created to move the Conference on Disarmament out of its longstanding stalemate and that every effort should now be made to actually do so;
- (b) there exists a general recognition that this requires a fair amount of give and take by all delegations;
- (c) the method of working with Co-ordinators has been useful and appreciated and should continue;
- (d) in some areas progress could be facilitated if the system of Co-ordinators was given a more structured form;
- (e) during the second part of the session the Conference should focus on issues where there exists a critical mass of common ground to build upon;

- (f) to move the work of the Conference forward substantively, it would be necessary for the Conference to take a formal decision;
- (g) there is a general readiness to begin negotiations, without any preconditions, on a non-discriminatory multilateral treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices; continued focused work on issues under agenda items 1, 3 and 4 carries the potential of establishing common ground on which to move towards future negotiations;
- (h) all agenda items should be kept open for proposals and efforts that might be brought forward later during the session and appropriate time should be allocated during the second part of the session for agenda items 5,6 and 7.

5. In view of the above, the 2007 Presidents of the Conference on Disarmament propose the following:

Decision by the Conference

The Conference on Disarmament decides, without prejudice to future work and negotiations on its agenda items,

1. To appoint Ambassador Strømme as Co-ordinator to preside over substantive discussions on nuclear disarmament and the prevention of nuclear war.
The Co-ordinator shall present a report to the Conference on Disarmament on the progress of the work before the conclusion of the second part of the current session.
2. To appoint Ambassador Trezza as Co-ordinator to preside over negotiations, without any preconditions, on a non-discriminatory and multilateral treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices.
The Co-ordinator shall present a report to the Conference on Disarmament on the progress of the work before the conclusion of the second part of the current session.
3. To appoint Ambassador Meyer as Co-ordinator to preside over substantive discussions dealing with issues related to Prevention of an Arms Race in Outer Space.
The Co-ordinator shall present a report to the Conference on Disarmament on the progress of the work before the conclusion of the second part of the current session.
4. To appoint Ambassador Paranhos as Co-ordinator to preside over substantive discussions dealing with appropriate international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons.
The Co-ordinator shall present a report to the Conference on Disarmament on the progress of the work before the conclusion of the second part of the current session.

Complementary Presidential Statement

Following the above decision by the Conference on the appointment of four Co-ordinators for specific issues, there is also an understanding in the Conference that Co-ordinators for the agenda items previously appointed by the 2007 Presidents of the Conference will continue their work, as appropriate and under the authority of the 2007 Presidents of the Conference, during the second part of the current session.

PRESIDENTIAL REPORT TO THE CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT ON PART II OF THE 2007 SESSION

1. By the end of part I of the 2007 session a presidential draft decision CD/2007/L.1 (see annex II to this report) was on the table. The Presidential assessment of part I of the 2007 session is contained in document CD/1820.
2. During the inter-sessional period between part I and II, and bearing in mind the possibility of convening a special session of the Conference according to the rules of procedure, the incumbent President, Ambassador Sarala Fernando of Sri Lanka, conducted consultations based on CD/2007/L.1, with a view to bringing the conference closer to an agreement on taking up substantive work.
3. At the beginning of part II, on 15 May 2007, the incumbent President announced, that the Presidency would continue consultations with regard to ascertaining the readiness of member States to move forward towards a decision on document CD/2007/L.1.
4. In the plenary meeting of 05 June 2007, the incumbent President, Ambassador Elisabet Borsini Bonnier of Sweden, assessed that it would be worthwhile to make a serious attempt to address the issues involved in CD/2007/L.1 through a complementary presidential statement. To that end, a number of informal open-ended consultations by the President were held.
5. Based on these open-ended informal consultations with members of the Conference, a "Complementary Presidential Statement Reflecting an Understanding of the Conference on the Implementation of CD/2007/L.1", contained in document CD/2007/CRP.5 (see annex III to this report), was submitted to the Conference on 14 June 2007. In response to requests for clarification on the interrelationship between the Complementary Presidential Statement (CD/2007/CRP.5) and document CD/2007/L.1, a Draft Decision by the Conference (see annex I to this report) was also proposed.
6. In his message to the Conference on Disarmament of 14 June 2007, the Secretary-General of the United Nations urged the CD to take forward the vital work of the Conference in a spirit of compromise and accommodation. Adoption of the Presidential Draft Decision, supplemented if necessary in such a way as to overcome any reservations, would, in his view, have a positive impact on the international security atmosphere.

7. On 21 June 2007, the President tried to establish whether there were any delegations which, at that point in time, were not in a position to go along with a consensus to begin substantive work on the basis of the three documents taken together (CD/2007/L.1, CD/2007/CRP.5 and the Draft Decision by the Conference). The President concluded that the situation was clear: Some capitals needed more time, which should be given. The documents remained on the table.
8. The seven Co-ordinators on agenda items 1 to 7, as appointed by the P6 and as listed in paragraph 1 of CD/1820, did not preside over further meetings during part II of the 2007 session. Yet, throughout part II, they remained ready to preside over work under the authority of the Conference or the P6 and continued to fulfil their mandate. The seven Co-ordinators continue to stand by in order to work under the authority of the Conference or the P6, if so decided.
9. The above has given ground for the assessment that:
- (a) a momentum has been created to move the Conference on Disarmament out of its longstanding stalemate, based on the three annexed documents;
 - (b) a wide range of delegations support the proposal based on the draft mandates contained in CD/2007/L.1 in combination with the other two documents; some delegations, though they have some concerns about certain elements in the proposal, would not oppose consensus on it; others need more time for their capitals to decide whether they could go along with a consensus along these lines;
 - (c) there still is valuable time available for the implementation of CD/2007/L.1, if agreed upon, during part III of the current session and that no effort should be spared to adopt a programme of work by consensus.
10. In view of the above, the incumbent President, Ambassador Jürg Streuli of Switzerland, will undertake further consultations during the inter-sessional period between part II and III, based on the three documents contained in annex I, II and III of this report, with a view to reaching an agreement by the Conference early in the first week of Part III of the 2007 session.

Annexes*

- I. Draft Decision by the Conference
- II. CD/2007/L.1
- III. CD/2007/CRP.5

* See attachment reproduced as submitted by the CD Secretariat.

**PRESIDENTIAL REPORT
TO THE CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT
ON PART III OF THE 2007 SESSION**

1. The presidential assessments of part I and II of the 2007 session are contained in documents CD/1820* and CD/1825 respectively. This report covers the inter-sessional period between part II and III of the 2007 session as well as the first five weeks of part III.
2. During the inter-sessional period between part II and III, the incumbent President, Ambassador Jürg Streuli of Switzerland, conducted consultations with a view to bringing the Conference closer to a consensus on the basis of three documents, the current versions of which are contained in annexes I, II and III of this report.
3. At the beginning of Part III, the incumbent President announced that he would continue his consultations with a view to bringing the Conference closer to an agreement on taking up substantive work.
4. At the plenary meeting of 7 August 2007, Ambassador Pfirter, Director-General of the OPCW, made a statement on the occasion of the 10th anniversary of the Chemical Weapons Convention (CWC). Also, Ambassador Masood Khan made a statement, in his capacity as President of the 2006 Review Conference and the 2007 Meeting of Experts and States Parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on their Destruction (BTWC), on the current status of the Convention.
5. On 16 August 2007, the President reported that he conducted a considerable number of consultations and that he had received a suggestion for merging the Complementary Presidential Statement (CD/2007/CRP.5*) into CD/2007/L.1** along with a slight adaptation of CD/2007/CRP.5*, but more time would be needed to reach a consensus. Several delegations took the floor in support of the continuation of efforts to find consensus on the Presidential Draft Decision.

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6. At the plenary meeting of 21 August 2007, the High Representative for Disarmament Affairs, Mr. Sergio Duarte, addressed the Conference.
7. On 30 August 2007, the incumbent President, Ambassador Faysal Khabbaz-Hamoui of the Syrian Arab Republic, reported that he conducted a considerable number of consultations which, in addition to the consultations held by Ambassador Jürg Streuli of Switzerland, led to the assessment that:
 - (a) a wide range of delegations expressed their support for the Presidential Proposal, based on the three annexed documents. Some delegations, though they had some concerns about certain elements in the proposal, they would not oppose consensus on it. Others expressed their position that more work and consultations were needed to reach a consensus on it;
 - (b) the CD has achieved substantive progress by conducting important thematic debates on all agenda items and advancing considerably in its efforts but could not yet reach consensus on a programme of work;
 - (c) a momentum has been created to move the Conference on Disarmament out of its longstanding stalemate, and the efforts to reach an agreement must be continued.

Annexes

- I. CD/2007/L.1**
- II. CD/2007/CRP.5*
- III. CD/2007/CRP.6

CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT

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CD/2007/L.1
23 March 2007

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PRESIDENTIAL DRAFT DECISION

The Conference on Disarmament decides, without prejudice to future work and negotiations on its agenda items,

1. To appoint Ambassador Strømme as Co-ordinator to preside over substantive discussions on nuclear disarmament and the prevention of nuclear war.

The Co-ordinator shall present a report to the Conference on Disarmament on the progress of the work before the conclusion of the second part of the current session.

2. To appoint Ambassador Trezza as Co-ordinator to preside over negotiations, without any preconditions, on a non-discriminatory and multilateral treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices.

The Co-ordinator shall present a report to the Conference on Disarmament on the progress of the work before the conclusion of the second part of the current session.

3. To appoint Ambassador Meyer as Co-ordinator to preside over substantive discussions dealing with issues related to Prevention of an Arms Race in Outer Space.

The Co-ordinator shall present a report to the Conference on Disarmament on the progress of the work before the conclusion of the second part of the current session.

4. To appoint Ambassador Paranhos as Co-ordinator to preside over substantive discussions dealing with appropriate international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons.

The Co-ordinator shall present a report to the Conference on Disarmament on the progress of the work before the conclusion of the second part of the current session.

Complementary Presidential Statement

Following the above decision by the Conference on the appointment of four Co-ordinators for specific issues, there is also an understanding in the Conference that Co-ordinators for the agenda items previously appointed by the 2007 Presidents of the Conference will continue their work, as appropriate and under the authority of the 2007 Presidents of the Conference, during the second part of the current session.

CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT

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14 June 2007

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COMPLEMENTARY PRESIDENTIAL STATEMENT REFLECTING AN UNDERSTANDING OF THE CONFERENCE ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF CD/2007/L.1

For the implementation of CD/2007/L.1 there is an understanding of the Conference on the following:

The purpose of CD/2007/L.1 is to provide a basis for organizing the work of the Conference. It does not prejudice any past, present or future position, proposal or priority of any delegation, nor any commitment undertaken in any other multilateral fora related to disarmament.

CD/2007/L.1 sets no preconditions for the negotiations under paragraph 2, thus providing all delegations with the opportunity to actively pursue their respective positions and priorities, and to submit proposals on any issue they deem relevant in the course of the negotiations.

CD/2007/L.1 does not prescribe or preclude any outcome(s) for the substantive discussions under paragraphs 1, 3 and 4. It enables future compromise(s) and agreement(s) and does not exclude the possibility of future negotiations under any agenda item, thus upholding the nature of this forum.

CD/2007/L.1, taken together with a schedule of activities¹, will constitute a programme of work for the 2007 session. It does not prejudice any future decision the Conference might take on its programme of work.

The method of using Co-ordinators to preside over meetings on specific issues is a practical arrangement comparable to a subsidiary body. Co-ordinators appointed by the Conference will work under its guidance, be accountable to it and submit their reports to it for consideration, as would any chair-person of any subsidiary body. All work will be carried out under the Rules of Procedure of the Conference.

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29 June 2007

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**COMPLEMENTARY PRESIDENTIAL STATEMENT REFLECTING AN
UNDERSTANDING OF THE CONFERENCE ON THE IMPLEMENTATION
OF CD/2007/L.1****

For the implementation of CD/2007/L.1** there is the following understanding of the Conference:

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Decision by the Conference

The Conference on Disarmament adopts the document CD/2007/L.1**.

For its implementation the Conference will be guided by the Presidential Statement in CD/2007/CRP.5*.



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Decision by the Conference

The Conference on Disarmament adopts the document CD/2007/L.1.

For its implementation the Conference will be guided by the Presidential Statement in CD/2007/CRP.5.

Republic, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Estonia, Georgia, Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, Guinea, the Holy See, Iceland, Jordan, Kuwait, Latvia, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Mauritius, Montenegro, Mozambique, Nepal, Oman, Philippines, Portugal, Republic of Moldova, Serbia, Slovenia, Sudan, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, United Arab Emirates and Uruguay.

11. The following documents dealing with the issue of attendance and participation of States not Members of the Conference were submitted to the Conference:

- (a) CD/1834, entitled "Letter dated 25 January 2008 from the Permanent Representative of the Republic of Turkey addressed to the Secretary-General of the Conference on Disarmament regarding the requests for participation in the work of the Conference during 2008 from non-member States";
- (b) CD/1838, entitled "Letter dated 21 February 2008 from the Permanent Representative of Cyprus addressed to the Secretary-General of the Conference on Disarmament regarding the position of Cyprus on the issue raised in document CD/1834 dated 25 January 2008".

D. Agenda and Programme of Work for the 2008 Session

12. At its 1084th plenary meeting on 24 January 2008, following a debate in which the content of the draft agenda presented by the President of the Conference in accordance with Rule 29 of the Rules of Procedure was reviewed, the Conference on Disarmament adopted its agenda for the 2008 session. The agenda (CD/1835) reads as follows:

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13. Subsequently, the President made the following statement: “In connection with the adoption of the agenda, I, as the President of the Conference, should like to state that it is understood that if there is a consensus in the Conference to deal with any issues, they could be dealt with within this agenda. The Conference will also take into consideration paragraphs 27 and 30 of its Rules of Procedure.”

14. Pursuant to paragraph 57 of the 2007 report of the Conference (CD/1831), the last President of the 2007 session (Syrian Arab Republic) and the first President of the 2008 session (Tunisia) conducted informal consultations during the intersessional period with a view to commencing early substantive work during the 2008 session of the Conference. These consultations were conducted in cooperation with the five incoming Presidents of the 2008 session (Turkey, Ukraine, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the United States of America and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)).

15. At the 1087th plenary meeting on 5 February 2008, the President, Ambassador Samir Labidi (Tunisia), reported that his consultations indicated that the Conference had not arrived at a consensus either on the establishment of a subsidiary body or on a proposal for a programme of work, and that efforts must be continued to bridge the differences and find a way to foster consensus on the commencement of substantive work. He indicated that the Presidency would appoint, under its own responsibility, coordinators for each of the agenda items, without prejudice to any future decision that the Conference might take on its programme of work. Under the authority of the 2008 Presidents, the coordinators would organize and chair debates on the agenda items in a comprehensive manner and without preconditions, taking into account all the relevant past, present and future views and proposals. The coordinators were required to report, in their personal capacity, on the discussions on the various agenda items to the 2008 Presidents, who, in conjunction with each of the coordinators, would finalize the report, under his/her own responsibility, on progress made on each item. Subsequently, the President announced that the 2008 Presidents of the Conference appointed the following coordinators:

- (a) Ambassador Juan Martabit of Chile for agenda items 1 entitled “Cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament” and 2 entitled “Prevention of nuclear war, including all related matters”, with a general focus on nuclear disarmament;
- (b) Ambassador Sumio Tarui of Japan for agenda items 1 entitled “Cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament” and 2 entitled “Prevention of nuclear war, including all related matters”, with a general focus on the prohibition of the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices;
- (c) Ambassador Marius Grinius of Canada for agenda item 3 entitled “Prevention of an arms race in outer space”;
- (d) Ambassador Babacar Carlos Mbaye of Senegal for agenda item 4 entitled “Effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons”;

- (e) Ambassador Petko Draganov of Bulgaria for agenda item 5 entitled "New types of weapons of mass destruction and new systems of such weapons; radiological weapons";
- (f) Ambassador Dayan Jayatilaka of Sri Lanka for agenda item 6 entitled "Comprehensive programme of disarmament"; and
- (g) Ambassador I Gusti Agung Wesaka Puja of Indonesia for agenda item 7 entitled "Transparency in armaments".

The President furthermore circulated an organizational framework containing the schedule of the future meetings of the Conference during its 2008 session (CD/WP.549). The organisational framework was subsequently updated by successive Presidents.

16. Under the Presidency of Ambassador Ahmet Üzümcü (Turkey), intensive consultations were conducted towards reaching agreement on a programme of work. On 13 March 2008, the President circulated, on behalf of the 2008 Presidents, a new proposal in the form of a draft decision to be taken by the Conference (CD/1840) to provide a basis for the organisation of its work.

17. Following the introduction of CD/1840, the 2008 Presidents Ambassadors Samir Labidi (Tunisia), Ahmet Üzümcü (Turkey), Yevhen Bersheda (Ukraine), John Duncan (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland), Christina Rocca (United States of America), Germán Mundaraín Hernández (Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)) conducted intensive consultations with a view to reaching an agreement on it.

18. On 27 March 2008, the President, Ambassador Yevhen Bersheda (Ukraine) submitted, under his own responsibility, a document entitled "Presidential report to the Conference on Disarmament on Part I of the 2008 session" (CD/1841), which, *inter alia*, stated that the 2008 Presidents of the Conference interacted closely with the CD membership and the agenda item coordinators, in parallel with bilateral consultations and regular meetings with regional group coordinators.

19. On 27 June 2008, the President, Ambassador Christina Rocca (United States) submitted, under her own responsibility, a document entitled "Presidential report to the Conference on Disarmament on Part II of the 2008 session" (CD/1845), which, *inter alia*, stated that there was still time available for the implementation of CD/1840, if agreed upon, during Part III of the 2008 CD session and no effort should be spared to adopt a programme of work by consensus.

20. On 26 August 2008, the President, Ambassador Germán Mundaraín Hernández (Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)) submitted, under his own responsibility, a document entitled "Presidential report to the Conference on Disarmament on Part III of the 2008 session" (CD/1848), which, *inter alia*, stated that the Presidential Proposal contained in document CD/1840 continued to generate support among a substantial number of delegations but did not achieve consensus.

21. A wide range of delegations supported the Presidential Proposal contained in document CD/1840. A number of delegations, though they had some concerns about certain elements in the Proposal, said that they would not oppose consensus on it and other delegations stated they had concerns that the Proposal would not satisfy their expectations. Some delegations stated that they had substantive reservations and concerns about the Proposal and that more work was needed to

address them. It was concluded accordingly that further consultations were needed to reach consensus to adopt a programme of work.

22. The following documents dealing with the issue of agenda and programme of work were submitted to the Conference:

- (a) CD/1837, entitled "Letter dated 8 February 2008 from the Permanent Representative of Egypt regarding document CD/WP.549 dated 5 February 2008";
- (b) CD/1840, entitled "Draft decision by the Presidents of the 2008 session of the Conference on Disarmament";
- (c) CD/1841, entitled "Presidential report to the Conference on Disarmament on Part I of the 2008 session";
- (d) CD/1843, entitled "Letter dated 4 April 2008 from the Permanent Representative of Pakistan addressed to the President of the Conference on Disarmament transmitting the statement delivered at an informal meeting held on 13 March 2008;
- (e) CD/1845, entitled "Presidential report to the Conference on Disarmament on Part II of the 2008 session";
- (f) CD/1848, entitled "Presidential report to the Conference on Disarmament on Part III of the 2008 session";
- (g) CD/1851, entitled "Letter dated 5 September 2008 from the Permanent Representative of Pakistan addressed to the Secretary-General of the Conference on Disarmament transmitting a paper entitled "Position on CD/1840"

E. Expansion of the Membership of the Conference

23. The question of the expansion of the membership of the Conference was addressed by delegations in plenary meetings. Their views on the issue are duly reflected in the plenary records.

24. Since 1982, requests for membership have been received from the following 24 non-Members, in chronological order: Greece, Croatia, Kuwait, Portugal, Slovenia, the Czech Republic, Costa Rica, Denmark, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Cyprus, Lithuania, Ghana, Luxembourg, Uruguay, the Philippines, Azerbaijan, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Armenia, Thailand, Georgia, Jordan, Estonia, Latvia and Malta.

F. Review of the Agenda of the Conference

25. The review of the agenda of the Conference was addressed by delegations in plenary meetings. Their views on the issue are duly reflected in the plenary records.

CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT

CD/1837

14 February 2008

Original: ENGLISH

LETTER DATED 8 FEBRUARY 2008 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF EGYPT ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT REGARDING DOCUMENT CD/WP.549 DATED 5 FEBRUARY 2008

I have the honor to refer to the Organizational Framework for the 2008 Session of the Conference on Disarmament as contained in Document CD/WP.549 dated 5th of February, 2008.

You will note that the last year's Organizational Framework for the 2007 CD Session (CD/2007/CRP.1 dated 24th of January 2007) was issued as a Conference Room Paper whereas it was issued as a Working Paper for this year's Session. I would appreciate if you would direct the Secretariat to provide clarification on this matter and in particular the effects associated with the choice to issue this session's Organizational Framework as a Working Paper document.

I kindly request that this letter be circulated as an official document of the Conference.

(Signed):

Sameh Shoukry
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

DRAFT DECISION BY THE PRESIDENTS OF THE 2008 SESSION OF THE CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT

The Conference on Disarmament,

In order to provide a basis for organizing the work of the Conference which does not prejudice any past, present or future position, proposal or priority of any delegations, nor any commitment undertaken in any other multilateral fora related to disarmament,

Without prescribing or precluding any outcome(s) for the substantive discussions under paragraphs 1, 3 and 4 below, with a view to enabling future compromise(s) and agreement(s) and including the possibility of future negotiations under any agenda item, thus upholding the nature of this forum,

Bearing in mind that taken together with a schedule of activities which remains to be elaborated, the following decisions will constitute a programme of work for the current session which does not prejudice any future decision the Conference might take on its programme of work,

Recognizing that the method of using Co-ordinators to preside over meetings on specific issues is a practical arrangement comparable to a subsidiary body and that Co-ordinators appointed by the Conference will work under its guidance, be accountable to it and submit their report to it for consideration, as would any chair-person of any subsidiary body,

Noting that all work will be carried out under the Rules of Procedure of the Conference,

Without prejudice to future work and negotiations on its agenda items,

Takes the following decisions:

1. To appoint Ambassador (*to be announced*) (Chile) as Co-ordinator to preside over substantive discussions on nuclear disarmament and the prevention of nuclear war.
2. To appoint Ambassador Tarui (Japan) as Co-ordinator to preside over negotiations, without any preconditions, on a non-discriminatory and multilateral treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices, thus

providing all delegations with the opportunity to actively pursue their respective positions and priorities, and to submit proposals on any issue they deem relevant in the course of the negotiations.

3. To appoint Ambassador Grinius (Canada) as Co-ordinator to preside over substantive discussions dealing with issues related to Prevention of an Arms Race in Outer Space.
4. To appoint Ambassador Mbaye (Senegal) as Co-ordinator to preside over substantive discussions dealing with appropriate arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons.
5. To request the Co-ordinators mentioned in paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and 4 to present a report to the Conference on Disarmament on the progress of the work before the conclusion of the current session.

The Conference on Disarmament also decides to request the Co-ordinators for the following agenda items previously appointed by the 2008 Presidents of the Conference to continue their work, as appropriate and under the authority of the 2008 Presidents of the Conference, during the current session:

- (i) Ambassador Draganov (Bulgaria) for the agenda item entitled "New types of weapons of mass destruction and new systems of such weapons; radiological weapons".
- (ii) Ambassador Jayatileka (Sri Lanka) for the agenda item entitled "Comprehensive programme of disarmament".
- (iii) Ambassador Puja (Indonesia) for the agenda item entitled "Transparency in armament".

CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT

CD/1841

27 March 2008

Original: ENGLISH

PRESIDENTIAL REPORT TO THE CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT ON PART I OF THE 2008 SESSION

1. On 23 January 2008 Ambassador Samir Labidi of Tunisia in his capacity as the President of the Conference on Disarmament opened the first plenary of the 2008 session of the Conference on Disarmament in the presence of UN Secretary-General Mr. Ban Ki-moon and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Tunisia Mr. Abdelwaheb Abdallah. On 25 January 2008 following a debate at which the content of the draft agenda, presented by the President of the Conference, was reviewed, the Conference on Disarmament adopted its agenda for the 2008 Session.

2. On 5 February 2008 Ambassador Samir Labidi of Tunisia in his capacity as the President of the Conference on Disarmament announced that the 2008 Presidents of the Conference had appointed the following Co-ordinators:

- (a) Ambassador Juan Martabit of Chile for agenda item 1 entitled "Cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament" and for agenda item 2 "Prevention of nuclear war, including all related matters" with a general focus on nuclear disarmament;
- (b) Ambassador Sumio Tarui of Japan for agenda item 1 entitled "Cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament" and for agenda item 2 "Prevention of nuclear war, including all related matters" with a general focus on the prohibition of the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons and other nuclear explosive devices;
- (c) Ambassador Marius Grinius of Canada for agenda item 3 entitled "Prevention of an arms race in outer space";
- (d) Ambassador Babacar Carlos Mbaye of Senegal for agenda item 4 entitled "Effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons";

- (e) Ambassador Petko Draganov of Bulgaria for agenda item 5 entitled "New types of weapons of mass destruction and new systems of such weapons; radiological weapons";
- (f) Ambassador Dayan Jayatileka of Sri Lanka for agenda item 6 entitled "Comprehensive programme of disarmament";
- (g) Ambassador Wesakā Puja of Indonesia for agenda item 7 entitled "Transparency in Armaments".

The seven agenda item co-ordinators each chaired two informal meetings, during which the CD membership had the opportunity to discuss and to refresh their understanding of all agenda items. On 10 March 2008 the co-ordinators reported to the 2008 Presidents of the Conference under their personal responsibility.

3. The following High-level dignitaries addressed the Conference on Disarmament during Part I of the 2008 session: Mr. Ban Ki-moon, UN Secretary-General; Mr. Abdélwaheb Abdallah, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Tunisia; Mr. Des Browne, Secretary of State for Defence of the United Kingdom; Mr. Thomas D'Agostino, Administrator of the US National Nuclear Security Administration; Mr. Sergey Lavrov, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation; Mr. Jorge Taiana, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Argentina; Mr. Maxime Verhagen, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands; Mr. Marat Tazhin, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Kazakhstan; Mr. Adrian Cioroianu, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Romania; Mr. Manouchehr Mottaki, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Iran; Mr. Jan Kubis, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Slovakia; Dr. Francisco Santos Calderón, Vice President of Colombia; Mr. Jonas Gahr Støre, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Norway; Mr. Rafet Akgünay, Deputy Foreign Minister of Turkey; Mr. Yasuhide Nakayama, Vice Minister for Foreign Affairs of Japan; Mr. Volodymyr Khandogiy, First Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs of Ukraine; Mr. Frank Belfrage, State Secretary for Foreign Affairs of Sweden. The Conference also received a message from Mr. Yang Jiechi, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the People's Republic of China.

4. On 12 February 2008, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation Mr. Sergey Lavrov presented on behalf of the Russian Federation and the People's Republic of China a draft text for a treaty on the "Prevention of the Placement of Weapons in Outer Space, the threat or use of force against outer space objects" (PPWT).

5. The 2008 Presidents of the Conference interacted closely with the CD membership and the agenda item co-ordinators, in parallel with bilateral consultations and regular meetings with regional group co-ordinators. They also participated in the plenaries and informal meetings during Part I of the 2008 session. They assessed the inputs received and proposed a way forward for Part II of the session. The proposal of the 2008 Presidents of the Conference is based on consultations and interaction with the CD membership and strong signals of political commitment and represents a realistic way forward for the CD.

6. On 13 March 2008 Ambassador Ahmet Üzümcü of Turkey in his capacity as the President of the Conference on Disarmament presented on behalf of the 2008 Presidents of the Conference a Draft Decision for consideration and adoption by the Conference. This Draft Decision is contained in document CD/1840.

7. On 18 March 2008 Ambassador Yevhen Bersheda of Ukraine in his capacity as the President of the Conference on Disarmament during his inaugural speech informed the membership that CD/1840 was an attempt to integrate the efforts of each and every CD-member to step up the work of the Conference and gain consensus on the way forward.

8. During Part I of the 2008 session a number of member states expressed their interest in the continuation of consultations on CD/1840. The 2008 Presidents of the Conference proceed from the understanding that these consultations will take place during the inter-sessional period and Part II of the 2008 session in the spirit of transparency, flexibility and compromise with an aim of an early commencement of the substantive work of the Conference and intensification of common endeavours towards achieving global security.

CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT

CD/1843

14 April 2008

Original: ENGLISH

LETTER DATED 4 APRIL 2008 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF PAKISTAN ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT TRANSMITTING THE STATEMENT DELIVERED AT AN INFORMAL MEETING HELD ON 13 MARCH 2008

I have the honour to draw your attention to the document CD/1841 entitled "Presidential Report to the Conference on Disarmament on Part I of the 2008 Session", circulated in the CD's plenary meeting on 27 March 2008.

The Presidential Report referred to the draft decision presented by the President of the Conference on Disarmament, contained in document CD/1840, at an *informal meeting* on 13 March 2008. Pakistan, in its statement in the informal plenary on 13 March, had explained its position and raised a number of questions. There was an understanding in the Conference that open and transparent consultations would be held on this informal proposal with a view to reaching consensus on it.

I shall be grateful if you would issue this letter and my statement delivered on 13 March 2008 as an official document of the Conference on Disarmament and distribute it to all member states and non-member participants of the Conference. Copy of the statement is enclosed.

I would like to assure you that Pakistan would engage constructively to a) reach a consensus on a balanced and comprehensive programme of work of the Conference; and b) ensure that security concerns of all CD members are taken on board.

(Signed):

Masood Khan
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

**Statement by Ambassador Masood Khan, Pakistan's Permanent Representative,
in the Conference on Disarmament
Geneva, 13 March 2008**

Mr. President,

We congratulate and compliment you on your Presidency. We thank you for your effective leadership of the Conference on Disarmament. During your Presidency, the Conference has received high level attention. In the coming months, we would continue to count on your wisdom and expertise. Turkey has been keen to start negotiations in the CD as early as possible. You have made consistent efforts to move the CD in that direction. We also commend your delegation for its professionalism and hard work.

Mr. President,

We have seen the paper entitled "*Draft Decision by the Presidents of the 2008 session of the Conference on Disarmament*". We shall transmit it to our capital for careful consideration. We appreciate your assurance that it is not a take-it-or-leave-it proposal. Our initial reaction is as follows:

Process

We would have appreciated more intensive consultations within the P-6 and with the regional groups, before circulation of this paper. Now we take this paper as the beginning of a process for consultations. As we go along, we shall submit our own proposals and amendments to make it more balanced and comprehensive.

Title

The paper is titled "Draft Decision by the Presidents". We understand that decisions, as per Rule 18 of the Rules of Procedure, are taken by the Conference, not by the Presidents. The P-6 is an informal mechanism trying to steer the work of the Conference. Decisions will be taken by the Conference membership. A CD President's functions are spelt out in Rules 9 to 12. The P-6 proposals, like any other proposal, are subject to open negotiations and concurrence of all members. The Presidents' initiatives are not *fait accompli*, but an input for further work.

Substance

The paper omits a commitment to negotiate a "non-discriminatory, multilateral and internationally and effectively verifiable" fissile material treaty. It also omits the possibility of taking up the questions of the scope of the treaty as well as the past and future production of fissile material, as envisaged in the Shannon Report of 1995. To foster consensus, these two elements must be inserted in the proposed negotiating mandate for a Fissile Material Treaty.

The paper should give equal and balanced treatment to the four core issues.

The practice of coordinators, which is an informal arrangement to project that the CD is active before negotiations, does not supplant or substitute the mechanisms recognized by the CD. The coordinators act informally under the authority of the Presidents. They are not Special Coordinators appointed by the Conference. According to Rule 23 of the Rules of Procedure, the recognized mechanisms are ad hoc sub committees, working groups, and technical groups or groups of governmental experts.

Format

The operative part of this paper seeks to indirectly legitimize the informal role of the coordinators and turn it into a formal mandate for their work. It mixes the *informal discussions held by the coordinators* with the *proposed formal programme of work*. This kind of forced amalgamation is unsustainable because the mandate of work for negotiations under various agenda items and the functions of coordinators, appointed under the authority of the Presidents, are separate and distinct. The formal work on the four core issues will be conducted by ad hoc committees, under the relevant Rules of Procedure, and not by coordinators in an informal setting. If a formal role is to be assigned to coordinators, we will have to amend the Rules of Procedure. I do not think we want to embark on that course.

The paper should refer to the CD's agreed agenda and agenda items. It should also be clearly stated that the proposal is for the current session.

Mr. President,

We underline the following elements to achieve success in the CD:

- One*, pursue dialogue and consensus building through wide consultations;
- Two*, pursue transparency and inclusiveness in decision making;
- Three*, take on board security concerns of all CD members;
- Four*, demonstrate faithful adherence to the Rules of Procedure;
- Five*, build upon the consensual agreements and understandings reached earlier.

We stand ready to present our amendments to the paper as per instructions of our capital.

I thank you, Mr. President.

CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT

CD/1845

27 June 2008

Original: ENGLISH

PRESIDENTIAL REPORT TO THE CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT ON PART II OF THE 2008 SESSION

1. At the end of Part I of the 2008 Session of the Conference on Disarmament (CD), a Presidential Draft Decision CD/1840 was on the table. The Presidential Report on Part I of the 2008 Session is contained in document CD/1841.
2. During the inter-sessional period between Parts I and II, the 2008 Presidents continued consultations to advance consensus on CD/1840 for the purpose of commencing substantive work.
3. On 15 May 2008, the incumbent President, Ambassador Yevhen Bersheda of Ukraine, opened the first plenary session of Part II. He noted that CD/1840 enjoyed strong support as a compromise proposal and reiterated the commitment of the 2008 Presidents of the Conference to consensus-building through open consultations. The European Union and the Eastern European Group, represented by Slovenia and Belarus respectively, affirmed their support for CD/1840.
4. On 26 May 2008, Ms. Fiona Paterson of the United Kingdom in her capacity as the President of the Conference, delivered an inaugural address calling for a spirit of compromise in an effort to find a solution on the basis of CD/1840 which represented the culmination of over two years of discussion. She underscored the importance of a commitment to negotiations on a fissile materials cut-off treaty (FMCT) without preconditions, noting that preconditions would limit the avenues available to CD members to reach an effective, realistic, and universally acceptable agreement.
5. On 17 June 2008, the Draft Presidential Decision CD/1840 was discussed in plenary. As in Part I of the 2008 Session of the CD, while a range of views were expressed on the four core issues, the FMCT was the only agenda item generally agreed upon as ready for negotiation.
6. The following High-level dignitaries addressed the Conference on Disarmament during Part II of the 2008 Session: on 10 June 2008, the Under-Secretary for Multilateral Affairs of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Integration, Ambassador Emilio Izquierdo Miño of Ecuador spoke on small arms; on 25 June 2008, the High Representative for the Common Foreign and

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Security Policy and Secretary-General of the Council of the European Union, Mr. Javier Solana spoke on disarmament and non-proliferation and pressed the CD to get back to work.

7. During the course of Part II, the 2008 Presidents of the Conference continued to interact closely with the CD membership through plenaries, regular meetings with Regional Group Coordinators, and bilateral consultations (in Geneva and in capitals) with the objective of building a consensus. Their conclusion is that CD/1840 remains the most realistic compromise to facilitate substantive work in the CD.

8. The seven Coordinators on agenda items 1 to 7, appointed by the Presidents of the Conference in Part I and listed in CD/1840, did not conduct discussions during Part II of the 2008 session. However, they remained on stand by to work under the authority of the Conference or the 2008 Presidents, if so decided.

9. The following assessments may be made of Part II of the 2008 Session of the CD:

- (a) A substantial number of members consider that the Conference on Disarmament is the closest it has been since 1998 to reaching a consensus on a programme of work;
- (b) A wide range of delegations support the draft decision, CD/1840; some delegations, though they have some concerns about certain elements in the proposal, would not oppose consensus on it; others need more time for their capitals to decide whether they could go along with a consensus along these lines;
- (c) There is still time available for the implementation of CD/1840, if agreed upon, during Part III of the 2008 CD session and no effort should be spared to adopt a programme of work by consensus.

10. In view of the above assessments, the incumbent President, Ambassador Christina Rocca of the United States, proposed to the CD on 24 June 2008 the convocation of seven informal sessions on each of the seven agenda items, to be led by the agenda item Coordinators, for the purpose of refreshing the CD membership's understanding of the issues before it to prepare for the Conference's annual report to the UNGA First Committee. It is also hoped that this renewed activity will enable the membership to reach consensus and engage in substantive work early in Part III. In closing, she reminded the Conference that CD/1840 is not an expression of any member's national position, but is a functional compromise for the CD to engage in substantive work to advance global security as the world's sole multilateral disarmament body.

CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT

CD/1848*

26 August 2008

Original: ENGLISH

PRESIDENTIAL REPORT TO THE CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT ON PART III OF THE 2008 SESSION

1. The presidential assessments of Part I and Part II of the 2008 CD session are contained in documents CD/1841 and CD/1845 respectively. This report covers the inter-sessional period between Part II and III of the 2008 session as well as the first five weeks of Part III.
2. During the inter-sessional period between Part II and III, the incumbent President, Ambassador Christina Rocca of the United States, conducted consultations with a view to bringing the Conference closer to a consensus on the document CD/1840.
3. At the beginning of Part III, the incumbent President announced that she would continue her consultations with a view to bringing the Conference closer to an agreement on taking up substantive work.
4. On 29 July, Ambassador Christina Rocca of the United States, proposed, on behalf of the 2008 Presidents, to begin one additional informal session on each of the seven agenda items, to be led by the agenda item Coordinators, for the purpose of refreshing the CD's understanding of the issues, and to advance the prospect of consensus on CD/1840. Subsequently, Mr. Alejandro Rogers, representing Ambassador Carlos Portales of Chile, held one informal meeting on 31 July 2008 on agenda item 1 entitled "Cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament" and agenda item 2 "Prevention of nuclear war, including all related matters" with a general focus on nuclear disarmament; Ambassador Sumio Tarui of Japan held one informal meeting on 31 July 2008 on agenda item 1 entitled "Cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament" and agenda item 2 "Prevention of nuclear war, including all related matters" with a general focus on the prohibition of the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons and other nuclear explosive devices; Ambassador Marius Grinius of Canada held one informal meeting on 5 August 2008 on agenda item 3 entitled "Prevention of an arms race in outer space"; Ambassador Babacar Carlos Mbaye of Senegal held one informal meeting on 7 August 2008 on agenda item 4 entitled "Effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons"; Mr. Ivan Gospodinov, representing Ambassador Petko Draganov of Bulgaria held one informal meeting on 7 August 2008 on agenda item 5 entitled "New types of weapons of mass destruction and new systems of such

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weapons; radiological weapons"; Ambassador Dayan Jayatileka of Sri Lanka held one informal meeting on 12 August 2008 on agenda item 6 entitled "Comprehensive programme of disarmament"; and Ambassador Wesaka Puja of Indonesia held one informal meeting on 12 August on agenda item 7 entitled "Transparency in Armaments". On 13 August 2008, the Coordinators reported orally to the 2008 Presidents on this latest round of informal meetings.

5. The Presidential Proposal contained in document CD/1840 continued to generate support among a substantial number of delegations but did not achieve consensus. Some delegations, though they had some concerns about certain elements in the Proposal, said that they would not oppose consensus on it and other delegations stated they had concerns that the Proposal would not satisfy their expectations. Nonetheless, significant progress was achieved on further elaborating the agenda items and advancing the prospect for reaching agreement on a program of work.

6. During the Presidency of Venezuela (Bolivarian republic of), intensive consultations continued on document CD/1840. Furthermore, also under its Presidency, the Conference proceeded with the consideration of the Report of the 2008 session to the United Nations General Assembly.

CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT

CD/1851

9 September 2008

Original: ENGLISH

LETTER DATED 5 SEPTEMBER 2008 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF PAKISTAN ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT TRANSMITTING A PAPER ENTITLED "POSITION ON CD/1840"

I have the honour to request that the enclosed paper entitled "Position on CD/1840" may kindly be circulated as an official document of the Conference on Disarmament and reflected appropriately in the Annual Report 2008 of the Conference to the United Nations General Assembly.

(Signed): Masood Khan
Ambassador and Permanent Representative

POSITION ON CD/1840

Exploring consensus on a Programme of Work during 2008

1. On March 13, in an informal session, the President introduced the paper (CD/1840) for consideration with the assurance that every effort would be made to reach consensus through further consultations.
2. On March 18, the President of the CD said that CD/1840 was an attempt to integrate "the efforts of each and every CD-member to step up the work of the Conference and gain consensus on the way forward."
3. On March 27, the President said that during the intersessional period consultations on the paper would take place "in the spirit of transparency, flexibility and compromise".
4. On April 4, Pakistan sent a letter (CD/1843) to the President stating its position on the paper (CD/1840).
5. On May 26, the President gave the assurance that: "... we remain especially open to suggestions any delegation may have on CD/1840 which they, after consultations with others, consider will bring us even closer to consensus."
6. The Pakistan delegation stated its position and made suggestions on CD/1840 on March 13, June 17 and August 19. On all these occasions, Pakistan announced its intention to table amendments to CD/1840 and expressed its desire to engage with the Presidents and delegations to reach consensus.
7. On August 14, the President concluded that "the enhanced exchange of views afforded by our informal meetings have, so far, failed to ... reach consensus on our program of work."
8. On August 26, the President stated that CD/1840 continued to generate support but did not achieve consensus.

General Comments on the Proposal (CD/1840):

9. On March 24, 1995, Ambassador Gerald Shannon of Canada presented a report (CD/1299)¹, which recorded the CD's agreement to establish an Ad Hoc Committee on a "Ban on the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices." Further, the Conference directed the Ad Hoc Committee "to negotiate a non-discriminatory,

¹ CD/1299, 24 March 1995, Report of Ambassador Gerald E. Shannon on Consultations on the Most Appropriate Arrangement to Negotiate a Treaty Banning the Production of Fissile Material for Nuclear Weapons or Other Nuclear Explosive Devices.

multilateral and internationally and effectively verifiable treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices”.

10. As to the questions of the scope of the Convention (proposed FMT), future and past production of fissile material, and management of such material, an additional agreement among CD members was recorded in the report stating that “the mandate for the establishment of the Ad Hoc Committee does not preclude any delegation from raising for consideration”² any of these issues.

11. Negotiations on FMT were started in 1998 on the basis of CD/1299 and within an agreed programme of work. An Ad Hoc Committee was established on August 11, 1998, which started its work during that session. In 1998, commencement of the negotiations was made possible by addressing issues, not by sidelining them.

12. From 2003 to 2005, a proposal commonly known as A-5³ – which made concrete proposals on the four core issues, namely, Nuclear Disarmament, a Fissile Material Treaty (FMT), Prevention of an Arms Race in Outer Space (PAROS), and Negative Security Assurances (NSAs) - was widely accepted by CD members as a basis for crafting a consensus on a programme of work.

13. The paper CD/1840, in its present form, is a compromise among likeminded countries. It has not yet met concerns of all CD members; nor has it given concessions to all sides.

14. The paper prejudices the outcome. There was a universal consensus until recently that the CD would work towards a verifiable FMT. That key ingredient is missing from CD/1840, because the principle of verification in regard to an FMT has been set aside. The paper also foreshadows outcomes of substantive discussions on the other three core issues.

15. The paper has three implicit preconditions. *First*, no negotiations can start if ‘verification’ is part of the mandate. *Second*, no negotiations can start if ad hoc committees will deal with the four core issues. *Third*, negotiations will take place only on FMT, not on the other three core issues.

16. There is no agreement on the question as to which issue is ripe or not ripe for negotiations; or that FMCT is the only “item”⁴ ready for negotiations. A large number of delegations believe that NSAs and PAROS are as mature for negotiations as the proposed FMCT. A snapshot of the debate on June 17 can illustrate this point. In the plenary debate, one delegate said that “an FMCT can be much more ripe for serious discussion and negotiation than any of the other three core issues”. But another delegate said: “... nuclear disarmament is the highest

² CD/1299.

³ CD/1693/Rev.1, 5 September 2003, Initiative of the Ambassadors Dembri, Lint, Reyes, Salander and Vega.

⁴ There is no item entitled “FMCT” in CD/1835 of 29 January 2008. The proposed FMCT is taken up under Agenda item 1 entitled “Cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament”.

priority in disarmament, as all member states of the United Nations agreed in the final document of the First General Assembly Special Session on Disarmament in 1978". Yet another delegate said: "There is no consensus on the four core issues; otherwise we could have started negotiations as well on FMCT"⁵.

Pakistan's Position:

17. On August 2, 2007, Pakistan's National Command Authority stated:

"The NCA reviewed the current status of negotiations on disarmament issues in the Conference on Disarmament in Geneva, including regarding the proposed FMCT. The NCA reiterated Pakistan's position in favour of a non-discriminatory, multilateral and internationally and effectively verifiable treaty, taking into account the security concerns of all states."

18. In the light of this direction:

- (a) Pakistan will sign on any dispensation or mandate that is non-discriminatory;
- (b) Pakistan will propose that the CD should agree on, and work on the basis of, a mandate for a verifiable FMT.

19. In its present form, the paper does not represent a breakthrough. Pakistan will be able to endorse CD/1840, if it is revised to address the following issues stated in CD/1843:

- (a) A commitment to negotiate a "non-discriminatory, multilateral and internationally and effectively verifiable" fissile missile treaty. This is key.
- (b) Creation of space for addressing the question of the existing and future stocks of fissile material.
- (c) Balance among all four core issues – Nuclear Disarmament, FMT, PAROS, and NSAs.
- (d) Using *ad hoc committees* or any other subsidiary bodies as mechanisms for negotiations, in accordance with the CD's Rules of Procedure.

⁵ CD/PV. 1108, June 17, 2008.

- (e) A differentiation between the role of the Coordinators to facilitate informal discussions and the functions of formal CD subsidiary bodies to conduct negotiations in the context of the programme of work. The Coordinators have so far worked informally under the authority of the CD Presidents. Their role cannot be indirectly amalgamated with the efforts to reach a consensus on a programme of work.

20. For Pakistan, incorporation of *international and effective verification* into the proposed mandate for a Fissile Material Treaty (FMT) is of critical importance. It stems directly from our vital national security interests. Without verification, an FMT would promote neither disarmament nor non-proliferation. Therefore, without an agreement on the key element of verification, consensus on a programme of work will be elusive. We are ready to negotiate on other issues, namely, balance among core issues and subsidiary bodies.

21. We appeal to all CD members to remove preconditions and restore verification into the mandate for an FMT.

22. Since March 13, 2008, the paper (CD/1840) remains as it was introduced, though several substantive and procedural suggestions have been made. Some informal discussions have taken place; but so far negotiations have not been held informally or in the plenary to incorporate the suggestions made to make the text more balanced.

23. The six Presidents of the 2008 session have repeatedly assured the Conference that CD/1840 is not cast in stone; it is not a take-it-or-leave-it proposal; and it can be improved further. We have welcomed the assurances of the six Presidents to address the legitimate concerns of all CD members. Pakistan is keen to work with the Conference now and in future to make a suitably amended CD/1840 or its variant acceptable to all. We are confident that this objective can be achieved through open and inclusive consultations.

24. At the most appropriate time, Pakistan will table an amendment to CD/1840 or a separate proposal containing elements for an acceptable formula.

25. Pakistan agrees with the general sentiment in the Conference that the decade-long impasse in the sole negotiating forum on nuclear disarmament must be broken. With strong political will and with reciprocal flexibility, we can break the cycle of inaction in regard to negotiations, which is the Conference's first and foremost mandate.

participation in its work from 44 States not Members of the Conference. Accordingly, the Conference invited the following non-Member States to participate in its work: Albania, Angola, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Estonia, Georgia, Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, Guinea, the Holy See, Honduras, Iceland, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Latvia, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Mauritius, Montenegro, Nepal, Oman, Philippines, Portugal, Qatar, the Republic of Moldova, Saudi Arabia, Serbia, Slovenia, Tajikistan, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Thailand, the United Arab Emirates and Uruguay.

11. The following documents dealing with the issue of attendance and participation of States not Members of the Conference were submitted to the Conference:

- (a) CD/1857, entitled "Letter dated 20 January 2009 from the Permanent Representative of the Republic of Turkey addressed to the Secretary-General of the Conference on Disarmament regarding the requests for participation in the work of the Conference during 2009 from non-member States";
- (b) CD/1858, entitled "Letter dated 22 January 2009 from the Permanent Representative of Cyprus addressed to the Secretary-General of the Conference on Disarmament regarding the position of Cyprus on the issue raised in document CD/1857 dated 20 January 2009".

D. Agenda and Programme of Work for the 2009 Session

12. At its 1118th plenary meeting on 20 January 2009, following a debate in which the content of the draft agenda presented by the President of the Conference in accordance with Rule 29 of the Rules of Procedure was reviewed, the Conference on Disarmament adopted its agenda for the 2009 session. The agenda (CD/1856) reads as follows:

"Taking into account, inter alia, the relevant provisions of the Final Document of the First Special Session of the General Assembly devoted to disarmament, and deciding to resume its consultations on the review of its agenda, and without prejudice to their outcome, the Conference adopts the following agenda for its 2009 session:

1. Cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament.
2. Prevention of nuclear war, including all related matters.
3. Prevention of an arms race in outer space.
4. Effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons.

5. New types of weapons of mass destruction and new systems of such weapons; radiological weapons.
6. Comprehensive programme of disarmament.
7. Transparency in armaments.
8. Consideration and adoption of the annual report and any other report, as appropriate, to the General Assembly of the United Nations.”

13. Subsequently, the President made the following statement: “In connection with the adoption of the agenda, I, as the President of the Conference, should like to state that it is my understanding that if there is a consensus in the Conference to deal with any issues, they could be dealt with within this agenda. The Conference will also take into consideration paragraphs 27 and 30 of the rules of procedure of the Conference.”

14. Pursuant to paragraph 53 of the 2008 report of the Conference (CD/1853), the last President of the 2008 session (Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)) and the first President of the 2009 session (Viet Nam) conducted informal consultations during the intersessional period with a view to commencing early substantive work during the 2009 session of the Conference. These consultations were conducted in cooperation with the five incoming Presidents of the 2009 session (Zimbabwe, Algeria, Argentina, Australia and Austria).

15. At the 1121st plenary meeting on 3 February 2009, the President, Ambassador Le Hoai Trung (Viet Nam), reported that his consultations indicated that no consensus had existed in the Conference on a programme of work on the basis of any existing formal or informal proposal to commence negotiations on any issue. He indicated that the Presidency would appoint, under its own responsibility, coordinators for each of the agenda items, without prejudice to any future decision that the Conference might take on its programme of work. Under the authority of the 2009 Presidents, the coordinators would organize and chair debates on the agenda items in a comprehensive manner and without preconditions, taking into account all the relevant past, present and future views and proposals. The coordinators were required to report, in their personal capacity, on the discussions on the various agenda items to the 2009 Presidents, who, in conjunction with each of the coordinators, would finalize the report, under his own responsibility, on progress made on each item. Subsequently, the President announced that the 2009 Presidents of the Conference appointed the following coordinators:

- (a) Ambassador Carlos Portales of Chile for agenda items 1 (Cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament) and 2 (Prevention of nuclear war, including all related matters), with a general focus on nuclear disarmament;
- (b) Ambassador Giovanni Manfredi of Italy for agenda items 1 (Cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament) and 2 (Prevention of nuclear war, including all

related matters), with a general focus on the prohibition of the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons and other nuclear explosive devices;

- (c) Ambassador Marius Grinius of Canada for agenda item 3 (Prevention of an arms race in outer space);
- (d) Ambassador Babacar Carlos Mbaye of Senegal for agenda item 4 (Effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons);
- (e) Ambassador Petko Draganov of Bulgaria for agenda item 5 (New types of weapons of mass destruction and new systems of such weapons; radiological weapons);
- (f) Ambassador Dayan Jayatilleka of Sri Lanka for agenda item 6 (Comprehensive programme of disarmament);
- (g) Ambassador I Gusti Agung Wesaka Puja of Indonesia for agenda item 7 (Transparency in armaments).

16. Under the Presidency of Ambassador Chitsaka Chipaziwa of Zimbabwe, intensive consultations continued towards reaching agreement on a programme of work. Thematic informal debates on the substantive agenda items were conducted by the Coordinators under his Presidency.

17. At the 1135th plenary meeting on 19 May 2009, following broad and intensive consultations, the President, Ambassador Idriss Jazairy of Algeria, submitted a draft decision for the establishment of a Programme of Work for the 2009 session (CD/1863). At subsequent meetings, delegations provided their views on this draft decision.

18. At the 1139th plenary meeting on 29 May 2009, the Conference adopted document CD/1863, entitled "Draft Decision for the establishment of a Programme of Work for the 2009 session". High appreciation was expressed on the adoption, by consensus, of the programme of work under the Presidency of Ambassador Idriss Jazairy of Algeria. Following the adoption, the Decision was circulated as Document CD/1864 and reads as follows:

"The Conference on Disarmament,

In order to provide a programme of work for the Conference which does not prejudice any past, present or future position, proposal or priority of any delegation, nor any commitment undertaken in any other multilateral fora related to disarmament,

In pursuance of its agenda and taking into account the several proposals tabled since 1999 for the programme of work of the Conference on Disarmament,

Without prescribing or precluding any outcome(s) for discussions under paragraphs 1, 3 and 4 below, with a view to enabling future compromise(s) and including the possibility of future negotiations under any agenda item, thus upholding the nature of this forum,

Takes the following decision for the establishment of a Programme of Work for the current session:

1. To establish a Working Group under agenda item 1 entitled "Cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament" to exchange views and information on practical steps for progressive and systematic efforts to reduce nuclear weapons with the ultimate goal of their elimination, including on approaches toward potential future work of multilateral character.

Pursuant to its mandate, the Working Group shall take into consideration all relevant views and proposals past, present and future.

The Working Group shall present a report on the progress of its work before the end of the current session.

2. To establish a Working Group under agenda item 1 entitled "Cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament" which shall negotiate a treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices, on the basis of the document CD/1299 of 24 March 1995 and the mandate contained therein.

Pursuant to its mandate, the Working Group shall take into consideration all relevant views and proposals past, present and future.

The Working Group shall present a report to the Conference on Disarmament on the progress of its work before the conclusion of the current session.

3. To establish a Working Group under agenda item 3 entitled "Prevention of an arms race in outer space" to discuss substantively, without limitation, all issues related to the prevention of an arms race in outer space.

Pursuant to its mandate, the Working Group shall take into consideration all relevant views and proposals past, present and future.

The Working Group shall present a report to the Conference on Disarmament on the progress of its work before the conclusion of the current session.

4. To establish a Working Group under agenda item 4 entitled "Effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons", to discuss substantively, without limitation, with a view to elaborating recommendations dealing with all aspects of this agenda item, not excluding those related to an internationally legally binding instrument.

Pursuant to its mandate, the Working Group shall take into consideration all relevant views and proposals past, present and future.

The Working Group shall present a report to the Conference on Disarmament on the progress of its work before the conclusion of the current session.

5. To appoint a Special Coordinator under agenda item 5 entitled "New types of weapons of mass destruction and new systems of such weapons; radiological weapons" to seek the views of its Members on the most appropriate way to deal with this issue.

The Special Coordinator shall take into consideration all relevant views and proposals past, present and future.

The Conference requests the Special Coordinator to present a report before the end of the current session.

6. To appoint a Special Coordinator under agenda item 6 entitled "Comprehensive programme of Disarmament" to seek the views of its Members on the most appropriate way to deal with this issue.

The Special Coordinator shall take into consideration all relevant views and proposals past, present and future.

The Conference requests the Special Coordinator to present a report before the end of the current session.

7. To appoint a Special Coordinator under agenda item 7 entitled "Transparency in armaments" to seek the views of its members on the most appropriate way to deal with the questions related to this item.

The Special Coordinator shall take into consideration all relevant view and proposals past, present and future.

The Conference requests the Special Coordinator to present a report before the end of the current session."

19. At the 1142nd plenary meeting, the President, Ambassador Roberto Garcia Moritan of Argentina, circulated a draft decision on a Schedule of activities for the period 29 June till 18 September 2009 (CD/1866) as well as a Draft decision on the implementation of CD/1864 (CD/1867), which identifies Ambassador Dian Triansyah Djani of Indonesia, Ambassador Jürg Streuli of Switzerland, Ambassador Luiz Filipe de Macedo Soares of Brazil and Ambassador Mykola Maimeskul of Ukraine as Chairpersons for the Working Groups and Ambassador Chitsaka Chipaziwa of Zimbabwe, Ambassador Mabel Gómez Oliver of Mexico and Ambassador Hannu Himanen of Finland as Special Coordinators during the 2009 session of the Conference.

20. At the 1147th plenary meeting, the President, Ambassador Caroline Millar of Australia, circulated a draft decision contained in CD/1870* that combined the previous proposals on the appointment of the Working Group Chairs and the Special Coordinators (CD/1867) and the revised calendar of activities (CD/1866/Rev. 1). Subsequently, following consultations with Members, the President circulated CD/1870/Rév.1.
21. At the 1156th plenary meeting, in an attempt to overcome remaining concerns with respect to the implementation of CD/1864, as contained in CD/1870/Rev.1, and after consultations, including two informal presidential consultations open to all interested delegations, the President, Ambassador Christian Strohal of Austria, circulated a second revision CD/1870/Rev.2.
22. No consensus was reached on any of the proposals referred to in paragraph 19, 20 and 21 above on the implementation of CD/1864; delegations continued their efforts to reach a consensus on the implementation of CD/1864.
23. The following documents dealing with the issue of agenda and programme of work were submitted to the Conference:
- (a) CD/1863 dated 19 May 2009 and entitled "Draft Decision for the establishment of a Programme of Work for the 2009 session";
 - (b) CD/1864 dated 29 May 2009 and entitled "Decision for the establishment of a Programme of Work for the 2009 session";
 - (c) CD/1866 dated 23 June 2009 and entitled "Schedule of activities from 29 June to 18 September 2009";
 - (d) CD/1866/Rev.1* dated 30 June 2009 and entitled "Draft schedule of activities from 3 August to 18 September 2009";
 - (e) CD/1867**, dated 25 June 2009 and entitled "Draft decision on the implementation of CD/1864";
 - (f) CD/1870*, dated 4 August 2009 and entitled "Draft decision on the implementation of CD/1864 for the 2009 session of the Conference on Disarmament";
 - (g) CD/1870/Rev.1, dated 6 August 2009 and entitled "Draft decision on the implementation of CD/1864 for the 2009 session of the Conference on Disarmament";
 - (h) CD/1870/Rev.2, dated 27 August 2009 and entitled "Draft decision on the implementation of CD/1864 for the 2009 session of the Conference on Disarmament";
and

Draft Decision for the establishment of a Programme of Work for the 2009 session

The Conference on Disarmament,

In order to provide a programme of work for the Conference which does not prejudice any past, present or future position, proposal or priority of any delegation, nor any commitment undertaken in any other multilateral fora related to disarmament,

In pursuance of its agenda and taking into account the several proposals tabled since 1999 for the programme of work of the Conference on Disarmament,

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Pursuant to its mandate, the Working Group shall take into consideration all relevant views and proposals past, present and future.

The Working Group shall present a report on the progress of its work before the end of the current session.

2. To establish a Working Group under agenda item 1 entitled "Cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament" which shall negotiate a treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices, on the basis of the document CD/1299 of 24 March 1995 and the mandate contained therein.

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4. To establish a Working Group under agenda item 4 entitled "Effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons", to discuss substantively, without limitation, with a view to elaborating recommendations dealing with all aspects of this agenda item, not excluding those related to an internationally legally binding instrument.

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The Special Coordinator shall take into consideration all relevant views and proposals past, present and future.

The Conference requests the Special Coordinator to present a report before the end of the current session.

6. To appoint a Special Coordinator under agenda item 6 entitled "Comprehensive programme of Disarmament" to seek the views of its Members on the most appropriate way to deal with this issue.

The Special Coordinator shall take into consideration all relevant views and proposals past, present and future.

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7. To appoint a Special Coordinator under agenda item 7 entitled "Transparency in armaments" to seek the views of its members on the most appropriate way to deal with the questions related to this item.

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Decision for the establishment of a Programme of Work for the 2009 session

(Adopted at the 1139th plenary meeting on 29 May 2009)

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SECOND PART: 29 June – 3 July (Week 17)

PRESIDENT: AUSTRALIA

WEEK 17

	MONDAY 29 JUN	TUESDAY 30 JUN	WEDNESDAY 1 JUL	THURSDAY 2 JUL	FRIDAY 3 JUL
10.00 - 13.00		Plenary Meeting*	Regional Groups Meetings	Plenary Meeting	SC # 5-6-7**
15.00 - 18.00	WG # 1	WG # 2	WG # 3	WG # 4	SC # 5-6-7**

THIRD PART: 3 August – 18 September (Weeks 18-24)

PRESIDENT: AUSTRALIA

WEEK 18

	MONDAY 3 AUG	TUESDAY 4 AUG	WEDNESDAY 5 AUG	THURSDAY 6 AUG	FRIDAY 7 AUG
10.00 - 13.00		Plenary Meeting*	Regional Groups Meetings	Plenary Meeting	
15.00 - 18.00	WG # 1	WG # 1	SC # 5	WG # 2	WG # 2

WEEK 19

	MONDAY 10 AUG	TUESDAY 11 AUG	WEDNESDAY 12 AUG	THURSDAY 13 AUG	FRIDAY 14 AUG
10.00 - 13.00		Plenary Meeting*	Regional Groups Meetings	Plenary Meeting	
15.00 - 18.00	WG # 3	WG # 3	SC # 6	WG # 4	WG # 4

WEEK 20

	MONDAY 17 AUG	TUESDAY 18 AUG	WEDNESDAY 19 AUG	THURSDAY 20 AUG	FRIDAY 21 AUG
10.00 - 13.00		Plenary Meeting*	Regional Groups Meetings	Plenary Meeting	
15.00 - 18.00	WG # 1	WG # 1	SC # 7	WG # 2	WG # 2

PRESIDENT: AUSTRIA**WEEK 21**

	MONDAY 24 AUG	TUESDAY 25 AUG	WEDNESDAY 26 AUG	THURSDAY 27 AUG	FRIDAY 28 AUG
10.00 - 13.00		Plenary Meeting*	Regional Groups Meetings	Plenary Meeting	
15.00 - 18.00	WG # 3	WG # 3	SC # 5-6-7**	WG # 4	WG # 4

WEEK 22: Final Statements; consideration and adoption of the annual report

	MONDAY 31 AUG	TUESDAY 1 SEP	WEDNESDAY 2 SEP	THURSDAY 3 SEP	FRIDAY 4 SEP
10.00 - 13.00		Plenary Meeting*	Regional Groups Meetings	Plenary Meeting	
15.00 - 18.00					

WEEK 23: Final Statements; consideration and adoption of the annual report

	MONDAY 7 SEP	TUESDAY 8 SEP	WEDNESDAY 9 SEP	THURSDAY 10 SEP	FRIDAY 11 SEP
10.00 - 13.00		Plenary Meeting*	Regional Groups Meetings	JEUNE GENEVOIS	JEUNE GENEVOIS
15.00 - 18.00					

WEEK 24: Final Statements; consideration and adoption of the annual report

	MONDAY 14 SEP	TUESDAY 15 SEP	WEDNESDAY 16 SEP	THURSDAY 17 SEP	FRIDAY 18 SEP
10.00 - 13.00		Plenary Meeting*	Regional Groups Meetings	Plenary Meeting	
15.00 - 18.00					

* / When appropriate.

** / The meetings of the Special Coordinators on agenda items 5, 6 and 7 will be held one after another with equal allocation of time.

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PRESIDENT: AUSTRALIA

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	MONDAY 3 AUG	TUESDAY 4 AUG	WEDNESDAY 5 AUG	THURSDAY 6 AUG	FRIDAY 7 AUG
10.00 - 13.00		Plenary Meeting ^{*/}	Regional Groups Meetings	Plenary Meeting	
15.00 - 18.00	WG # 1	WG # 1	SC # 5	WG # 2	WG # 2

* Reissued for technical reasons

WEEK 19

	MONDAY 10 AUG	TUESDAY 11 AUG	WEDNESDAY 12 AUG	THURSDAY 13 AUG	FRIDAY 14 AUG
10.00 - 13.00		Plenary Meeting*	Regional Groups Meetings	Plenary Meeting	
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WEEK 20

	MONDAY 17 AUG	TUESDAY 18 AUG	WEDNESDAY 19 AUG	THURSDAY 20 AUG	FRIDAY 21 AUG
10.00 - 13.00		Plenary Meeting*	Regional Groups Meetings	Plenary Meeting	
15.00 - 18.00	WG # 1	WG # 1	SC # 7	WG # 2	WG # 2

PRESIDENT: AUSTRIA**WEEK 21**

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15.00 - 18.00					

WEEK 23: Final Statements; consideration and adoption of the annual report

	MONDAY 7 SEP	TUESDAY 8 SEP	WEDNESDAY 9 SEP	THURSDAY 10 SEP	FRIDAY 11 SEP
10.00 - 13.00		Plenary Meeting ^{*/}	Regional Groups Meetings	JEUNE GENEVOIS	JEUNE GENEVOIS
15.00 - 18.00					

WEEK 24: Final Statements; consideration and adoption of the annual report

	MONDAY 14 SEP	TUESDAY 15 SEP	WEDNESDAY 16 SEP	THURSDAY 17 SEP	FRIDAY 18 SEP
10.00 - 13.00		Plenary Meeting ^{*/}	Regional Groups Meetings	Plenary Meeting	
15.00 - 18.00					

^{*/} When appropriate.

^{**} The meetings of the Special Coordinators on agenda items 5, 6 and 7 will be held one after another with equal allocation of time.

CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT

CD/1867**
25 June 2009

Original: ENGLISH

Draft decision on the implementation of CD/1864

1. Ambassador Dian Triansyah Djani of Indonesia is appointed as Chairman of the Working Group under agenda item 1 entitled "Cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament", according to paragraph 1 of decision CD/1864;
2. Ambassador Jürg Streuli of Switzerland is appointed as Chairman of the Working Group under agenda item 1 entitled "Cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament", according to paragraph 2 of decision CD/1864;
3. Ambassador Luiz Filipe de Macedo Soares of Brazil is appointed as Chairman of the Working Group under agenda item 3 entitled "Prevention of an arms race in outer space", according to paragraph 3 of decision CD/1864;
4. Ambassador Mykola Maimeskul of Ukraine is appointed as Chairman of the Working Group under agenda item 4 entitled "Effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons", according to paragraph 4 of decision CD/1864;
5. Ambassador Chitsaka Chipaziwa of Zimbabwe is appointed as Special Coordinator under agenda item 5 entitled "New types of weapons of mass destruction and new systems of such weapons; radiological weapons", according to paragraph 5 of decision CD/1864;
6. Ambassador Mabel Gómez Olivier of Mexico is appointed as Special Coordinator under agenda item 6 entitled "Comprehensive programme of disarmament", according to paragraph 6 of decision CD/1864;
7. Ambassador Hannu Himanen of Finland is appointed as Special Coordinator under agenda item 7 entitled "Transparency in armaments" according to paragraph 7 of decision CD/1864;

**/ Reissued for technical reasons.

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CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT

CD/1870*

4 August 2009

Original: ENGLISH

Draft decision on the implementation of CD/1864
for the 2009 session of the Conference on Disarmament

The Conference on Disarmament,

Recalling the adoption, on 29 May 2009, of the draft decision for the establishment of a Programme of Work for the 2009 session¹;

Without prejudice to the Conference's decisions on programmes of work to be adopted for future calendar years;

Agrees on the following as regards the implementation of the 2009 Programme of Work:

- a. the conduct of work and decision-making, including on adoption of reports, under the Conference Working Groups and Special Coordinators for the 2009 session will comply with the Rules of Procedure of the Conference, including *inter alia* paragraph 18 thereof;
- b. rotation and equitable geographic representation will apply to office bearers under (a) above; and
- c. the Conference will aim at ensuring a general balance in the consideration of all agenda items consistent with CD/1864; and

Decides the following:

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1. Ambassador Dian Triansyah Djani of Indonesia is appointed as Chairman of the Working Group under agenda item 1 entitled "Cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament", according to paragraph 1 of decision CD/1864;
2. Ambassador Jürg Streuli of Switzerland is appointed as Chairman of the Working Group under agenda item 1 entitled "Cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament", according to paragraph 2 of decision CD/1864;

* Reissued for technical reasons.

¹ CD/1864

3. Ambassador Luiz Filipe de Macedo Soares of Brazil is appointed as Chairman of the Working Group under agenda item 3 entitled "Prevention of an arms race in outer space", according to paragraph 3 of decision CD/1864;
4. Ambassador Mykola Maimeskul of Ukraine is appointed as Chairman of the Working Group under agenda item 4 entitled "Effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons", according to paragraph 4 of decision CD/1864;
5. Ambassador Chitsaka Chipaziwa of Zimbabwe is appointed as Special Coordinator under agenda item 5 entitled "New types of weapons of mass destruction and new systems of such weapons; radiological weapons", according to paragraph 5 of decision CD/1864;
6. Ambassador Mabel Gómez Olivier of Mexico is appointed as Special Coordinator under agenda item 6 entitled "Comprehensive programme of disarmament", according to paragraph 6 of decision CD/1864;
7. Ambassador Hannu Himanen of Finland is appointed as Special Coordinator under agenda item 7 entitled "Transparency in armaments" according to paragraph 7 of decision CD/1864.

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Draft schedule of activities from 10 August to 18 September 2009

PRESIDENT: AUSTRALIA

WEEK 19

	MONDAY 10 AUG	TUESDAY 11 AUG	WEDNESDAY 12 AUG	THURSDAY 13 AUG	FRIDAY 14 AUG
10.00 - 13.00		Plenary Meeting*	Regional Groups Meetings	Plenary Meeting	
15.00 - 18.00	WG # 1	WG # 1	SC # 5	WG # 2	WG # 2

WEEK 20

	MONDAY 17 AUG	TUESDAY 18 AUG	WEDNESDAY 19 AUG	THURSDAY 20 AUG	FRIDAY 21 AUG
10.00 - 13.00		Plenary Meeting*	Regional Groups Meetings	Plenary Meeting	
15.00 - 18.00	WG # 3	WG # 3	SC # 6	WG # 4	WG # 4

PRESIDENT: AUSTRIA

WEEK 21

	MONDAY 24 AUG	TUESDAY 25 AUG	WEDNESDAY 26 AUG	THURSDAY 27 AUG	FRIDAY 28 AUG
10.00 - 13.00		Plenary Meeting*	Regional Groups Meetings	Plenary Meeting	
15.00 - 18.00	WG # 1	WG # 1	SC # 7	WG # 2	WG # 2

WEEK 22

	MONDAY 31 AUG	TUESDAY 1 SEP	WEDNESDAY 2 SEP	THURSDAY 3 SEP	FRIDAY 4 SEP
10.00 - 13.00		Plenary Meeting*	Regional Groups Meetings	Plenary Meeting	WG # 4
15.00 - 18.00	WG # 3	WG # 3	SC # 5-6-7**/	WG # 4	Plenary Meeting*

WEEK 23: Final Statements; consideration and adoption of the annual report

	MONDAY 7 SEP	TUESDAY 8 SEP	WEDNESDAY 9 SEP	THURSDAY 10 SEP	FRIDAY 11 SEP
10.00 - 13.00		Plenary Meeting ^{*/}	Regional Groups Meetings	JEUNE GENEVOIS	JEUNE GENEVOIS
15.00 - 18.00					

WEEK 24: Final Statements; consideration and adoption of the annual report

	MONDAY 14 SEP	TUESDAY 15 SEP	WEDNESDAY 16 SEP	THURSDAY 17 SEP	FRIDAY 18 SEP
10.00 - 13.00		Plenary Meeting ^{*/}	Regional Groups Meetings	Plenary Meeting	
15.00 - 18.00					

^{*/} When appropriate.

^{**/} The meetings of the Special Coordinators on agenda items 5, 6 and 7 will be held one after another with equal allocation of time.

CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT

CD/1870/Rev.1
6 August 2009

Original: ENGLISH

Draft decision on the implementation of CD/1864 for the 2009 session of the Conference on Disarmament

The Conference on Disarmament,

Recalling the adoption, on 29 May 2009, of the decision for the establishment of a Programme of Work for the 2009 session¹;

Without prejudice to the Conference's decisions on programmes of work to be adopted for future calendar years;

Agrees on the following as regards the implementation of the 2009 Programme of Work:

- a. the conduct of work and decision-making, including on adoption of reports, under the Conference Working Groups and Special Coordinators for the 2009 session will comply with the Rules of Procedure of the Conference, including *inter alia* paragraph 18 thereof;
- b. rotation and equitable geographic representation will apply to office bearers under (a) above; and
- c. the Conference will aim at ensuring a general balance in the consideration of all agenda items consistent with CD/1864; and

Decides the following:

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1. Ambassador Dian Triansyah Djani of Indonesia is appointed as Chairman of the Working Group under agenda item 1 entitled "Cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament", according to paragraph 1 of decision CD/1864;

¹ CD/1864

2. Ambassador Jürg Streuli of Switzerland is appointed as Chairman of the Working Group under agenda item 1 entitled "Cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament", according to paragraph 2 of decision CD/1864;
3. Ambassador Luiz Filipe de Macedo Soares of Brazil is appointed as Chairman of the Working Group under agenda item 3 entitled "Prevention of an arms race in outer space", according to paragraph 3 of decision CD/1864;
4. Ambassador Mykola Maimeskul of Ukraine is appointed as Chairman of the Working Group under agenda item 4 entitled "Effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons", according to paragraph 4 of decision CD/1864;
5. Ambassador Chitsaka Chipaziwa of Zimbabwe is appointed as Special Coordinator under agenda item 5 entitled "New types of weapons of mass destruction and new systems of such weapons; radiological weapons", according to paragraph 5 of decision CD/1864;
6. Ambassador Mabel Gómez Olivier of Mexico is appointed as Special Coordinator under agenda item 6 entitled "Comprehensive programme of disarmament", according to paragraph 6 of decision CD/1864;
7. Ambassador Hannu Himanen of Finland is appointed as Special Coordinator under agenda item 7 entitled "Transparency in armaments" according to paragraph 7 of decision CD/1864.

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Draft schedule of activities from 10 August to 18 September 2009

PRESIDENT: AUSTRALIA

WEEK 19

	MONDAY 10 AUG	TUESDAY 11 AUG	WEDNESDAY 12 AUG	THURSDAY 13 AUG	FRIDAY 14 AUG
10.00 - 13.00		Plenary Meeting ^{2/}	Regional Groups Meetings	Plenary Meeting	SC # 6
15.00 - 18.00	WG # 1	WG # 2	SC # 5	WG # 3	WG # 4

WEEK 20

	MONDAY 17 AUG	TUESDAY 18 AUG	WEDNESDAY 19 AUG	THURSDAY 20 AUG	FRIDAY 21 AUG
10.00 - 13.00		Plenary Meeting ^{*/}	Regional Groups Meetings	Plenary Meeting	
15.00 - 18.00	WG # 1	WG # 2	SC # 7	WG # 3	WG # 4

PRESIDENT: AUSTRIA

WEEK 21

	MONDAY 24 AUG	TUESDAY 25 AUG	WEDNESDAY 26 AUG	THURSDAY 27 AUG	FRIDAY 28 AUG
10.00 - 13.00		Plenary Meeting ^{*/}	Regional Groups Meetings	Plenary Meeting	
15.00 - 18.00	WG # 1	WG # 2	SC # 5-6-7 ^{**/}	WG # 3	WG # 4

WEEK 22: Final Statements; consideration and adoption of the annual report

	MONDAY 31 AUG	TUESDAY 1 SEP	WEDNESDAY 2 SEP	THURSDAY 3 SEP	FRIDAY 4 SEP
10.00 - 13.00		Plenary Meeting ^{*/}	Regional Groups Meetings	Plenary Meeting	
15.00 - 18.00					

WEEK 23: Final Statements; consideration and adoption of the annual report

	MONDAY 7 SEP	TUESDAY 8 SEP	WEDNESDAY 9 SEP	THURSDAY 10 SEP	FRIDAY 11 SEP
10.00 - 13.00		Plenary Meeting ^{*/}	Regional Groups Meetings	JEUNE GENEVOIS	JEUNE GENEVOIS
15.00 - 18.00					

WEEK 24: Final Statements; consideration and adoption of the annual report

	MONDAY 14 SEP	TUESDAY 15 SEP	WEDNESDAY 16 SEP	THURSDAY 17 SEP	FRIDAY 18 SEP
10.00 - 13.00		Plenary Meeting ^{*/}	Regional Groups Meetings	Plenary Meeting	
15.00 - 18.00					

^{*/} When appropriate.

^{**/} The meetings of the Special Coordinators on agenda items 5, 6 and 7 will be held one after another with equal allocation of time.

CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT

CD/1870/Rev.2
27 August 2009

Original: ENGLISH

Draft decision on the implementation of CD/1864 for the 2009 session of the Conference on Disarmament

The Conference on Disarmament,

Recalling the adoption, on 29 May 2009, of the decision for the establishment of a Programme of Work for the 2009 session¹;

Without prejudice to the Conference's decisions on programmes of work to be adopted for future calendar years;

Agrees on the following as regards the implementation of the 2009 Programme of Work:

- a. the conduct of work and decision-making, including on adoption of reports, under the Conference Working Groups and Special Coordinators for the 2009 session will comply with the Rules of Procedure of the Conference, including *inter alia* paragraph 18 thereof;
- b. rotation and equitable geographic representation will apply to office bearers under (a) above; and
- c. the Conference will aim at ensuring a balanced consideration of all agenda items consistent with CD/1864 while recognizing the principle of undiminished security for all.

Decides the following:

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1. Ambassador Dian Triansyah Djani of Indonesia is appointed as Chairman of the Working Group under agenda item 1 entitled "Cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament", according to paragraph 1 of decision CD/1864;

¹ CD/1864

2. Ambassador Jürg Streuli of Switzerland is appointed as Chairman of the Working Group under agenda item 1 entitled "Cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament", according to paragraph 2 of decision CD/1864;

3. Ambassador Luiz Filipe de Macedo Soares of Brazil is appointed as Chairman of the Working Group under agenda item 3 entitled "Prevention of an arms race in outer space", according to paragraph 3 of decision CD/1864;

4. Ambassador Mykola Maimeskul of Ukraine is appointed as Chairman of the Working Group under agenda item 4 entitled "Effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons", according to paragraph 4 of decision CD/1864;

5. Ambassador Chitsaka Chipaziwa of Zimbabwe is appointed as Special Coordinator under agenda item 5 entitled "New types of weapons of mass destruction and new systems of such weapons; radiological weapons", according to paragraph 5 of decision CD/1864;

6. Ambassador Mabel Gómez Oliver of Mexico is appointed as Special Coordinator under agenda item 6 entitled "Comprehensive programme of disarmament", according to paragraph 6 of decision CD/1864;

7. Ambassador Hannu Himanen of Finland is appointed as Special Coordinator under agenda item 7 entitled "Transparency in armaments" according to paragraph 7 of decision CD/1864.

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The schedule of activities will be made available by the Secretariat and will provide for one meeting per each Working Group and one meeting for the Special Coordinators.

and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), Viet Nam and Zimbabwe.

C. Attendance and participation of States not members of the Conference

12. In accordance with the rules of procedure and the decision taken at its 1990 session on its improved and effective functioning (CD/1036), the Conference received and considered requests for participation in its work from 39 States not members of the Conference. Accordingly, the Conference invited the following non-member States to participate in its work: Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bahrain, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Estonia, Georgia, Greece, Guatemala, Guinea, Holy See, Iceland, Jordan, Kuwait, Latvia, Lebanon, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Montenegro, Nepal, Oman, Philippines, Portugal, Qatar, Republic of Moldova, Saudi Arabia, Serbia, Slovenia, Thailand, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Uruguay.

13. The following documents dealing with the issue of attendance and participation of States not members of the Conference were submitted to the Conference:

(a) CD/1882, entitled "Letter dated 20 January 2010 from the Permanent Representative of the Republic of Turkey addressed to the Secretary-General of the Conference on Disarmament regarding the requests for participation in the work of the Conference during 2010 from non-member States";

(b) CD/1885, entitled "Letter dated 25 January 2010 from the Permanent Representative of Cyprus addressed to the Secretary-General of the Conference on Disarmament regarding the position of Cyprus on the issue raised in document CD/1882 dated 21 January 2010".

D. Agenda and programme of work for the 2010 session

14. At its 1164th plenary meeting, on 26 January 2010, following a debate in which the content of the draft agenda submitted by the President of the Conference, Ambassador Mohammed Abdul Hannan of Bangladesh, in accordance with rule 29 of the rules of procedure was reviewed, the Conference on Disarmament, after considering different proposals, adopted its agenda for the 2010 session (CD/PV.1164). The agenda (CD/1884) reads as follows:

"Taking into account, inter alia, the relevant provisions of the Final Document of the First Special Session of the General Assembly devoted to disarmament, and deciding to resume its consultations on the review of its agenda, and without prejudice to their outcome, the Conference adopts the following agenda for its 2010 session:

1. Cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament.
2. Prevention of nuclear war, including all related matters.
3. Prevention of an arms race in outer space.

4. Effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons.
 5. New types of weapons of mass destruction and new systems of such weapons; radiological weapons.
 6. Comprehensive programme of disarmament.
 7. Transparency in armaments.
 8. Consideration and adoption of the annual report and any other report, as appropriate, to the General Assembly of the United Nations.”
15. Subsequently, the President made the following statement: “In connection with the adoption of the agenda, I, as the President of the Conference, should like to state that it is my understanding that if there is a consensus in the Conference to deal with any issues, they could be dealt with within this agenda. The Conference will also take into consideration paragraphs 27 and 30 of the rules of procedure of the Conference.”
16. Pursuant to paragraph 55 of the 2009 report of the Conference (CD/1879), the last President of the 2009 session (Austria) and the first President of the 2010 session (Bangladesh) conducted informal consultations during the intersessional period with a view to commencing early substantive work during the 2010 session of the Conference. These consultations were conducted in cooperation with the five incoming Presidents of the 2010 session (Belarus, Belgium, Brazil, Bulgaria and Cameroon).
17. At the 1177th plenary meeting, on 9 March 2010, the President, Ambassador Mikhail Khvostov of Belarus, circulated a working paper entitled “Draft decision for the establishment of a programme of work for the 2010 session” (CD/WP.559).
18. At the 1183rd plenary meeting, on 7 June 2010, under the Presidency of Ambassador Alex Van Meeuwen of Belgium, the Conference agreed upon a schedule of informal meetings of the Conference on its agenda items during the second part of the 2010 session (CD/WP.560). The schedule was subsequently updated (CD/WP.560/Amend.1). Pursuant to CD/WP.560, these informal discussions were neither pre-negotiations nor negotiations, and complemented and in no case replaced the ongoing activities of the Conference on Disarmament. The chairs/coordinators were required to report orally, in their personal capacity, on the discussions of the various substantive agenda items to the President, who, in conjunction with each of them, finalized the reports, under his/her own responsibility. The reports would not prejudice in any way the positions of the members of the Conference on Disarmament.
19. At the 1189th plenary meeting, on 8 July 2010, the President, Ambassador Luiz Filipe de Macedo Soares of Brazil, circulated a draft decision for the establishment of a programme of work for the 2010 session contained in CD/1889.
20. No consensus was reached on either of the proposals for a programme of work referred to in paragraphs 17 and 19 above.
21. The following documents and proposals dealing with the issues of the agenda and programme of work were submitted to the Conference:

(a) CD/1887 dated 7 June 2010 and entitled "Note verbale dated 7 June 2010 from the Permanent Mission of the Arab Republic of Egypt to the United Nations and Regional Coordinator of the Group of 21 to the Conference on Disarmament addressed to the Office of the Secretary-General of the Conference transmitting the letter dated 7 June 2010 addressed to the President of the Conference with the proposals of the Group of 21 presented at the 1182nd plenary meeting, on 7 June 2010";

(b) CD/1889 dated 6 July 2010 and entitled "Draft decision for the establishment of a programme of work for the 2010 session";

(c) CD/WP.559 dated 9 March 2010 and entitled "Draft decision for the establishment of a programme of work for the 2010 session".

E. Expansion of the membership of the Conference

22. The question of the expansion of the membership of the Conference was addressed by delegations in plenary meetings. Their views on the issue are duly reflected in the plenary records.

23. Since 1982, requests for membership have been received from the following 25 non-members, in chronological order: Greece, Croatia, Kuwait, Portugal, Slovenia, Czech Republic, Costa Rica, Denmark, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Cyprus, Lithuania, Ghana, Luxembourg, Uruguay, Philippines, Azerbaijan, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Armenia, Thailand, Georgia, Jordan, Estonia, Latvia, Malta and Serbia.

24. The following document dealing with the issue of the membership of the Conference was submitted:

CD/1886 dated 7 April 2010 and entitled "Letter dated 26 March 2010 from the Chargé d'affaires of the Permanent Mission of Thailand addressed to the President of the Conference on Disarmament transmitting, on behalf of 21 observer States to the Conference, a letter dated 22 March 2010".

F. Review of the agenda of the Conference

25. The review of the agenda of the Conference was addressed by delegations in plenary meetings. Their views on the issue are duly reflected in the plenary records.

G. Improved and effective functioning of the Conference

26. The improved and effective functioning of the Conference was addressed by delegations in plenary meetings. Their views on the issue are duly reflected in the plenary records.

CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT

CD/WP.559

9 March 2010

Original: ENGLISH

Draft decision for the establishment of a programme of work for the 2010 session

Proposal by the President

The Conference on Disarmament,

In order to provide a programme of work for the Conference which does not prejudice any past, present or future position, proposal or priority of any delegation, nor any commitment undertaken in any other multilateral *fora* related to disarmament,

In pursuance of its agenda and taking into account adoption by consensus of CD/1864 establishing the programme of work for the 2009 session of the Conference on Disarmament and recommendations made to it by the General Assembly of the United Nations,

Without prescribing or precluding any outcome(s) for discussions under subparagraphs (a), (c) and (d) of paragraph 1 below, with a view to enabling future compromise(s) and including the possibility of future negotiations under any agenda item, thus upholding the nature of this *forum*,

Takes the following decision for the establishment of a programme of work for the 2010 session of the Conference on Disarmament:

1. To establish the following working groups:
 - (a) A working group under agenda item 1 entitled "Cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament" to exchange views and information on practical steps for progressive and systematic efforts to reduce nuclear weapons with the ultimate goal of their elimination, including on approaches toward potential future work of multilateral character.

- (b) A working group under agenda item 1 entitled "Cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament" which shall negotiate a treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices, on the basis of the document CD/1299 of 24 March 1995 and the mandate contained therein.
- (c) A working group under agenda item 3 entitled "Prevention of an arms race in outer space" to discuss substantively, without limitation, all issues related to the prevention of an arms race in outer space.
- (d) A working group under agenda item 4 entitled "Effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons", to discuss substantively, without limitation, with a view to elaborating recommendations dealing with all aspects of this agenda item, not excluding those related to an internationally legally binding instrument.

2. To appoint the following special coordinators:

- (a) A special coordinator under agenda item 5 entitled "New types of weapons of mass destruction and new systems of such weapons; radiological weapons" to seek the views of its members on the most appropriate way to deal with this issue.
- (b) A special coordinator under agenda item 6 entitled "Comprehensive programme of disarmament" to seek the views of its members on the most appropriate way to deal with this issue.
- (c) A special coordinator under agenda item 7 entitled "Transparency in armaments" to seek the views of its members on the most appropriate way to deal with the questions related to this item.

3. To determine that:

- (a) The working groups and special coordinators will take into consideration all relevant views and proposals past, present and future.
- (b) The conduct of work and decision-making, including on adoption of reports, under the Conference working groups and special coordinators for the 2010 session will comply with the rules of procedure of the Conference, including, inter alia, paragraph 18 thereof.
- (c) Rotation and equitable geographic representation will apply to office bearers under subparagraphs (a) and (b) above.

- (d) The Conference will aim at ensuring a balanced consideration of all agenda items while recognizing the principle of undiminished security for all.
 - (e) The working groups and special coordinators will present a report on the progress of its work before the end of the 2010 session.
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Conference on Disarmament

6 July 2010

Original: English

DRAFT DECISION FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A PROGRAMME OF WORK FOR THE 2010 SESSION

PROPOSAL BY THE PRESIDENT

The Conference on Disarmament,

In order to provide a programme of work for the Conference which does not prejudice any past, present or future position, proposal or priority of any delegation, nor any commitment undertaken in any other multilateral fora related to disarmament,

In pursuance of its agenda and taking into account the adoption by consensus of CD/1864 establishing the programme of work for the 2009 session of the Conference on Disarmament and the recommendations made to it by the General Assembly of the United Nations,

Without prescribing or precluding any outcome(s) for discussions under subparagraphs (a), (c) and (d) of paragraph 1 below, with a view to enabling future compromise(s) and including the possibility of future negotiations under any agenda item, thus upholding the nature of this *forum*,

Takes the following decision for the establishment of a programme of work for the 2010 session of the Conference on Disarmament:

1. To establish the following working groups:
 - (a) A working group under agenda item 1 entitled "Cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament" to exchange views and information on practical steps for progressive and systematic efforts to reduce nuclear weapons with the ultimate goal of their elimination, including on approaches toward potential future work of multilateral character.
 - (b) A working group under agenda item 1 entitled "Cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament" which shall negotiate a treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices, while taking into consideration all other matters related to fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices, on the basis of document CD/1299 of 24 March 1995 and the mandate contained therein.
 - (c) A working group under agenda item 3 entitled "Prevention of an arms race in outer space" to discuss substantively, without limitation, not excluding the possibility of multilateral negotiations in the Conference on Disarmament on all issues related to the prevention of an arms race in outer space.
 - (d) A working group under agenda item 4 entitled "Effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of

use of nuclear weapons", to discuss substantively, without limitation, with a view to elaborating recommendations dealing with all aspects of this agenda item, not excluding an internationally legally binding instrument.

2. To appoint the following special coordinators:
 - (a) A special coordinator under agenda item 5 entitled "New types of weapons of mass destruction and new systems of such weapons; radiological weapons" to seek the views of its members on the most appropriate way to deal with this issue.
 - (b) A special coordinator under agenda item 6 entitled "Comprehensive programme of disarmament" to seek the views of its members on the most appropriate way to deal with this issue.
 - (c) A special coordinator under agenda item 7 entitled "Transparency in armaments", to seek the views of its members on the most appropriate way to deal with the questions related to this item.

3. To determine that:
 - (a) The working groups and special coordinators will take into consideration all relevant views and proposals past, present and future.
 - (b) The conduct of work and decision-making, including on adoption of reports, under the Conference working groups and special coordinators for the 2010 session will comply with the rules of procedure of the Conference, including, inter alia, paragraph 18 thereof.
 - (c) Rotation and equitable geographic representation will apply to the appointment of chairpersons of the working groups established under paragraph 1 above and of special coordinators under paragraph 2 above.
 - (d) The Conference will aim at ensuring a balanced consideration of all agenda items while recognizing the principle of increased and undiminished security for all.
 - (e) The working groups and special coordinators will present a report on the progress of their work before the end of the 2010 session.

C. Attendance and participation of States not members of the Conference

10. In accordance with the rules of procedure and the decision taken at its 1990 session on its improved and effective functioning (CD/1036), the Conference received and considered requests for participation in its work from 41 States not members of the Conference. Accordingly, the Conference invited the following non-member States to participate in its work: Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bahrain, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Estonia, Georgia, Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, Guinea, Holy See, Iceland, Jordan, Kuwait, Latvia, Lebanon, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Montenegro, Oman, Philippines, Portugal, Qatar, Republic of Moldova, Saudi Arabia, Serbia, Slovenia, Sudan, Thailand, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, the United Arab Emirates and Uruguay.

11. The following documents dealing with the issue of attendance and participation of States not members of the Conference were submitted to the Conference:

(a) CD/1903, entitled "Letter dated 25 January 2011 from the Permanent Representative of the Republic of Turkey addressed to the Secretary-General of the Conference on Disarmament regarding the requests for participation in the work of the Conference during 2011 from non-member States";

(b) CD/1905, entitled "Letter dated 11 February 2011 from the Permanent Representative of Cyprus addressed to the Secretary-General of the Conference on Disarmament regarding the position of Cyprus on the issue raised in document CD/1903 dated 26 January 2011".

D. Agenda and programme of work for the 2011 session

12. At its 1198th plenary meeting on 25 January 2011, following a debate in which the content of the draft agenda presented by the President of the Conference, Ambassador Marius Grinius of Canada, was reviewed in accordance with rule 29 of the rules of procedure, the Conference on Disarmament, after considering different proposals, adopted its agenda for the 2011 session (CD/PV.1198). The agenda (CD/1902) reads as follows:

"Taking into account, inter alia, the relevant provisions of the Final Document of the First Special Session of the General Assembly devoted to disarmament, and deciding to resume its consultations on the review of its agenda, and without prejudice to their outcome, the Conference adopts the following agenda for its 2011 session:

1. Cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament.
2. Prevention of nuclear war, including all related matters.
3. Prevention of an arms race in outer space.
4. Effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons.

5. New types of weapons of mass destruction and new systems of such weapons; radiological weapons.
6. Comprehensive programme of disarmament.
7. Transparency in armaments.
8. Consideration and adoption of the annual report and any other report, as appropriate, to the General Assembly of the United Nations.”

13. Subsequently, the President made the following statement: “In connection with the adoption of the agenda, I, as the President of the Conference, should like to state that it is my understanding that if there is a consensus in the Conference to deal with any issues, they could be dealt with within this agenda. The Conference will also take into consideration paragraphs 27 and 30 of the rules of procedure of the Conference.”

14. Pursuant to paragraph 53 of the 2010 report of the Conference (CD/1900), the last President of the 2010 session (Cameroon) and the first President of the 2011 session (Canada) conducted informal consultations during the intersessional period with a view to commencing early substantive work during the 2011 session of the Conference. These consultations were conducted in cooperation with the five incoming Presidents of the 2011 session (Chile, China, Colombia, Democratic People's Republic of Korea and Cuba).

15. Successive Presidents of the Conference conducted consultations to establish a programme of work, however, the Conference did not reach consensus on a programme of work for the 2011 session.

16. At the plenary meeting on 25 January 2011, the President, Ambassador Marius Grinius of Canada, proposed an indicative timetable for discussion of all agenda items in plenary meetings of the Conference (CD/PV.1198). At the 1207th plenary meeting on 22 February 2011, the President, Ambassador Pedro Oyarce of Chile, circulated an indicative timetable (CD/WP.564) for an exchange of views on all agenda items in plenary meetings of the Conference.

17. At the 1219th plenary meeting on 29 March 2011, under the Presidency of Ambassador Wang Qun of China, the Conference agreed upon a schedule of informal meetings of the Conference on its agenda items (CD/1907). Pursuant to CD/1907, these informal discussions were neither pre-negotiations nor negotiations, and complemented and in no case replaced the Conference on Disarmament's ongoing activities. The chairs/coordinators were required to report orally, in their personal capacity, on the discussions of the various substantive agenda items to the President who, in conjunction with each of them, would finalize the reports, under his/her own responsibility. The reports would not affect in any way the positions of the members of the Conference on Disarmament.

E. Expansion of the membership of the Conference

18. The question of the expansion of the membership of the Conference was addressed by delegations in plenary meetings. Their views on the issue are duly reflected in the plenary records. Suggestions were made for the appointment of a Special Rapporteur on Enlargement (CD/PV.1223).

D. Agenda and programme of work for the 2012 session

12. At its 1243rd plenary meeting on 24 January 2012, following a debate in which the content of the draft agenda presented by the President of the Conference Ambassador Luis Gallegos of Ecuador was reviewed in accordance with rule 29 of the rules of procedure, the Conference on Disarmament adopted its agenda for the 2012 session (CD/PV.1243). The agenda (CD/1928) reads as follows:

“Taking into account, *inter alia*, the relevant provisions of the Final Document of the First Special Session of the General Assembly devoted to disarmament, and deciding to resume its consultations on the review of its agenda, and without prejudice to their outcome, the Conference adopts the following agenda for its 2012 session:

1. Cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament.
2. Prevention of nuclear war, including all related matters.
3. Prevention of an arms race in outer space.
4. Effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons.
5. New types of weapons of mass destruction and new systems of such weapons; radiological weapons.
6. Comprehensive programme of disarmament.
7. Transparency in armaments.
8. Consideration and adoption of the annual report and any other report, as appropriate, to the General Assembly of the United Nations.”

13. Subsequently, the President made the following statement: “In connection with the adoption of the agenda I, as the President of the Conference, should like to state that it is my understanding that if there is a consensus in the Conference to deal with any issues, they could be dealt with within this agenda. The Conference will also take into consideration paragraphs 27 and 30 of the rules of procedure of the Conference.”

14. Pursuant to paragraph 51 of the 2011 report of the Conference (CD/1926), the last President of the 2011 session (Cuba) and the first President of the 2012 session (Ecuador) conducted informal consultations during the intersessional period with a view to commencing early substantive work during the 2012 session of the Conference. These consultations were conducted in cooperation with the five incoming Presidents of the 2012 session (Egypt, Ethiopia, Finland, France and Germany).

15. On 30 January 2012, the President of the Conference, Ambassador Luis Gallegos of Ecuador, circulated a working paper containing ideas on the state of the Conference (CD/1929), which was discussed at the plenaries of 31 January and 7 February, with a view to finding common ground enabling the Conference to move forward (CD/PV.1244 and CD/PV.1245).

16. Following a discussion at the 1253th plenary meeting on 13 March 2012 (CD/PV.1253), at the 1254th plenary meeting on 15 March 2012 the President of the Conference, Ambassador Hisham Badr of Egypt, submitted for adoption the Revised draft Decision on a programme of work for the 2012 session as contained in CD/1933/Rev.1 (CD/PV.1254).

17. Throughout the 2012 session successive Presidents of the Conference conducted intensive consultations with a view to reaching consensus on a programme of work on the basis of relevant proposals. During plenary meetings, delegations expressed their views on

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14 March 2012

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Revised draft Decision on a programme of work for the 2012 Session

Submitted by the President

The Conference on Disarmament

Takes the following decision for the establishment of a programme of work for the current session:

1. To establish a working group under agenda item 1 entitled "Cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament" to deal with nuclear disarmament.

The working group shall meet for five working days during the week commencing 19 March 2012 and for four working days during the week commencing 28 May 2012 under the chairmanship of Mr. Hisham Badr, Ambassador of Egypt.

Pursuant to its mandate, the working group shall take into consideration, without prejudice, all relevant views and proposals past, present and future.

The working group shall present a report on the progress of its work before the end of the current session.

2. To establish a working group under agenda item 1 entitled "Cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament" to deal with elements of a multilateral treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices on the basis of the document CD/1299 of 24 March 1995 and the mandate contained therein, while dealing with all related matters.

The working group shall meet for five working days during the week commencing 26 March 2012 and for four working days during the week commencing 4 June 2012 under the chairmanship of Mr. Alexandre Fasel, Ambassador of Switzerland.

Pursuant to its mandate, the working group shall take into consideration, without prejudice, all relevant views and proposals past, present and future.

The working group shall present a report on the progress of its work before the end of the current session.

3. To establish a working group under agenda item 3 entitled "Prevention of an arms race in outer space" to discuss substantively, without limitation, all issues related to the prevention of an arms race in outer space.

The working group shall meet for five working days during the week commencing 21 May 2012 and for four working days during the week commencing 25 June 2012 under the chairmanship of Mr. Antonio José Vallim Guerreiro, Ambassador of Brazil

Pursuant to its mandate, the working group shall take into consideration, without prejudice, all relevant views and proposals past, present and future.

The working group shall present a report on the progress of its work before the end of the current session.

4. To establish a working group under agenda item 4 entitled "Effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons" to discuss substantively, without limitation, with a view to elaborating recommendations dealing with all aspects of this agenda item, not excluding those related to an internationally legally binding instrument.

The working group shall meet for four working days during the week commencing 14 May 2012 and for five working days during the week commencing 11 June 2012 under the chairmanship of Mr. Md. Abdul Hannan, Ambassador of Bangladesh

Pursuant to its mandate, the working group shall take into consideration, without prejudice, all relevant views and proposals past, present and future.

The working group shall present a report on the progress of its work before the end of the current session.

5. To appoint Mr. Mikhail Khvostov, Ambassador of Belarus as a special coordinator under agenda item 5 entitled "New types of weapons of mass destruction and new systems of such weapons; radiological weapons" to seek the views of its Members on the most appropriate way to deal with this issue.

The special coordinator shall take into consideration all relevant views and proposals past, present and future.

The Conference requests the special coordinator to present a report before the end of the current session.

6. To appoint Mr. Pedro Oyarce, Ambassador of Chile as a special coordinator under agenda item 6 entitled "Comprehensive programme of Disarmament" to seek the views of its Members on the most appropriate way to deal with this issue.

The special coordinator shall take into consideration all relevant views and proposals past, present and future.

The Conference requests the special coordinator to present a report before the end of the current session.

7. To appoint Mr. Hellmut Hoffmann, Ambassador of Germany as a special coordinator under agenda item 7 entitled "Transparency in armaments" to seek the views of its members on the most appropriate way to deal with the questions related to this item.

The special coordinator shall take into consideration all relevant view and proposals past, present and future.

The Conference requests the special coordinator to present a report before the end of the current session.

Conference on Disarmament

11 February 2013

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Draft Decision on a programme of work for the 2013 session

Submitted by the President

The Conference on Disarmament,

Mindful of its continuing importance, relevance, and responsibility as the sole multilateral negotiating body on disarmament, and recalling its past achievements in successfully negotiating arms control and disarmament agreements,

Without prescribing or precluding any outcome(s) for discussions under paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 below, with a view to enabling further compromise(s) and including the possibility of future negotiations under any agenda item, thus upholding the nature of this forum;

In pursuance of its agenda and in accordance with and full respect of its rules of procedure,

Takes the following decision for the establishment of a programme of work for the current session:

1. To establish a working group under agenda item 1 entitled "Cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament", to consider proposals of multilateral character to take forward nuclear disarmament negotiations with the ultimate goal of the elimination of nuclear weapons by progressive and systematic efforts, and, as a first step thereof, to begin substantive work towards a treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices on the basis of document CD/1299 and the mandate contained therein.

Pursuant to its mandate, the Working Group shall take into consideration all relevant views and proposals past, present and future.

The Working Group shall present a report to the Conference on Disarmament on the progress of its work before the conclusion of the current session.

2. To establish a working group under agenda item 3 entitled "Prevention of an arms race in outer space" to discuss substantively, without limitation, all issues related to the prevention of an arms race in outer space.

Pursuant to its mandate, the Working Group shall take into consideration all relevant views and proposals past, present and future.

The Working Group shall present a report to the Conference on Disarmament on the progress of its work before the conclusion of the current session.

3. To establish a working group under agenda item 4 entitled "Effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons", to discuss substantively, without limitation, with a view to elaborating recommendations covering all aspects of this agenda item, not excluding those related to an internationally legally binding instrument.

Pursuant to its mandate, the Working Group shall take into consideration all relevant views and proposals past, present and future.

The Working Group shall present a report to the Conference on Disarmament on the progress of its work before the conclusion of the current session.

4. To appoint a special coordinator under agenda item 5 entitled "New types of weapons of mass destruction and new systems of such weapons; radiological weapons" to seek the views of its Members on the most appropriate way to deal with this issue.

The Special Coordinator shall take into consideration all relevant views and proposals past, present and future.

The Conference requests the Special Coordinator to present a report before the end of the current session.

5. To appoint a Special Coordinator under agenda item 6 entitled "Comprehensive programme of Disarmament" to seek the views of its Members on the most appropriate way to deal with this issue.

The Special Coordinator shall take into consideration all relevant views and proposals past, present and future.

The Conference requests the Special Coordinator to present a report before the end of the current session.

6. To appoint a special coordinator under agenda item 7 entitled "Transparency in armaments" to seek the views of its members on the most appropriate way to deal with the questions related to this item.

The Special Coordinator shall take into consideration all relevant view and proposals past, present and future.

The Conference requests the Special Coordinator to present a report before the end of the current session.

Annex**On the implementation of CD/...
for the 2013 session of the Conference on Disarmament**

The Conference on Disarmament,

To implement its resolution CD/... on a programme of work for the 2013 Session;

Decides as follows:

1. The Working Group established under agenda item 1 entitled "Cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament" according to paragraph 1 of decision CD/... shall meet for five working days during the weeks commencing 25 February, 4 March, 27 May and 3 June respectively under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Antonio José Vallim Guerreiro, Ambassador of Brazil.
2. The Working Group established under agenda item 3 entitled "Prevention of an arms race in outer space" according to paragraph 2 of decision CD/... shall meet for five working days during the weeks commencing 11 March and 10 June respectively under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Mukhtar Tileuberdi, Ambassador of Kazakhstan.
3. The Working Group established under agenda item 3 under agenda item 4 entitled "Effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons" according to paragraph 3 of decision CD shall meet for five working days during the weeks commencing 18 March and 17 June respectively under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Urs Schmidt, Ambassador of Switzerland.
4. To appoint H.E. Mr. Moncef Baati, Ambassador of Tunisia as Special Coordinator under agenda item 5 entitled "New types of weapons of mass destruction and new systems of such weapons; radiological weapons" according to paragraph 4 of decision CD/....
5. To appoint H.E. Mr. Abdul Hannan, Ambassador of Bangladesh as Special Coordinator under agenda item 6 entitled "Comprehensive programme of Disarmament" according to paragraph 5 of decision CD/....
6. To appoint H.E. Mr. Hellmut Hoffmann, Ambassador of Germany as Special Coordinator under agenda item 7 entitled "Transparency in armaments" according to paragraph 6 of decision CD/....

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11 February 2013

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**Draft
Decision on a programme of work for the 2013 session**

Submitted by the President

Corrigendum

Annex, paragraph 3, first line

Delete under agenda item 3

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Programme of work for the 2013 session of the Conference on Disarmament

The Conference on Disarmament,

Mindful of the importance of a balanced and comprehensive programme of work for the Conference which does not prejudice any past, present or future position, proposal or priority of any delegation, nor any commitment undertaken in any other multilateral fora related to disarmament,

Without prescribing or precluding any outcome(s) for discussions under paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and 4 below, with a view to enabling further compromise(s) including the possibility of future negotiations under any agenda item, thus upholding the nature of this forum.

In pursuance of its agenda and taking into account past, present and future decisions and proposals,¹ takes the following decision for the establishment of a programme of work for the current session:

1. To establish a working group under agenda item 1 entitled "Cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament" to develop proposals on nuclear disarmament.
2. To establish a working group under agenda item 1 entitled "Cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament" to develop proposals on fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices.
3. To establish a working group under agenda item 3 entitled "Prevention of an arms race in outer space" to develop proposals on prevention of an arms race in outer space.
4. To establish a working group under agenda item 4 entitled "Effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons" to develop proposals on effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons.

Each working group shall present a report to the Conference on Disarmament on the progress of its work before the conclusion of the current session.

5. To appoint a special coordinator under agenda item 5 entitled "New types of weapons of mass destruction and new systems of such weapons; radiological weapons" to seek the views of its members on the most appropriate way to deal with this issue.

¹ These include but not limited to the CD/1299.

6. To appoint a special coordinator under agenda item 6 entitled "Comprehensive programme of disarmament" to seek the views of its members on the most appropriate way to deal with this issue.

7. To appoint a special coordinator under agenda item 7 entitled "Transparency in armaments" to seek the views of its members on the most appropriate way to deal with the questions related to this item.

Each special coordinator shall take into consideration all relevant views and proposals past, present and future. The Conference requests the special coordinators to present a report before the end of the current session.

Conference on Disarmament

13 August 2013

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Draft

Programme of work submitted during the Iraqi Presidency for the 2013 session of the Conference on Disarmament

Mindful of the importance of a balanced and comprehensive programme of work for the Conference which does not prejudice any past, present or future position, proposal or priority of any delegation, nor any commitment undertaken in any other multilateral fora related to disarmament,

Without prescribing or precluding any outcome(s) for discussions under paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and 4 below, with a view to enabling further compromise(s) including the possibility of future negotiations under any agenda item, thus upholding the nature of this forum.

In pursuance of its agenda and taking into account past, present and future decisions and proposals, takes the following decision for the establishment of a programme of work for the current session:

1. To establish a working group under agenda item 1 entitled "cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament" to develop proposals on nuclear disarmament.
2. To establish a working group under agenda item 1 entitled "cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament" to develop proposals on fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices, consistent with the document CD/1299, dealing with all questions relevant for this purpose.
3. To establish a working group under agenda item 3 entitled "prevention of an arms race in outer space" to develop proposals on prevention of an arms race in outer space.
4. To establish a working group under agenda item 4 entitled "effective international arrangements to assure the non-nuclear States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons" to develop proposals on effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons.

Each working group shall present a report to the Conference on Disarmament on the progress of its work before the conclusion of the current session.

5. To appoint a special coordinator under agenda item 5 entitled "new types of weapons of mass destruction and new systems of such weapons; radiological weapons" to seek the views of its members on the most appropriate way to deal with this issue.
6. To appoint a special coordinator under agenda item 6 "comprehensive programme of disarmament" to seek the views of its members on the most appropriate way to deal with this issue.

7. To appoint a special coordinator under agenda item 7 entitled "transparency in armaments" to seek the views of its member on the most appropriate way to deal with the questions related to this item.

Each special coordinator shall take into consideration all relevant views and proposals past, present and future. The Conference requests the special coordinators to present a report before the end of the current session.

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13 August 2013

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Programme of work submitted during the Iraqi Presidency for the 2013 session of the Conference on Disarmament

Corrigendum

Insert new first line to read

The conference on Disarmament,
