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UNGA, during cluster debate on
“Disarmament Machinery”**

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Mr. Chair,

Nepal aligns itself with the statement delivered by Indonesia on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM).

Effective and robust disarmament machinery is imperative for achieving disarmament goals.

The UN disarmament machinery, including the Conference on Disarmament, UN Disarmament Commission and the UNGA First Committee, has been contributing significantly to fostering dialogue and facilitating negotiations on landmark instruments on disarmament and non-proliferation.

It is concerning that these mechanisms have come under stress with growing mistrust, heightened polarization, and persistent setbacks in the realms of disarmament, non-proliferation, and arms control.

We need to fix this before our divergences become too big to close in.

Mr. Chair,

We are concerned that the Conference on Disarmament (CD) continues to face a prolonged deadlock, stalling its vital role as the primary body for disarmament negotiations.

We must end this deadlock sooner.

Nepal underscores the early commencement of negotiations on a legally binding instrument on negative security assurances and the Fissile Materials Cut-Off Treaty (FMCT) within the CD.

While acknowledging the United Nations Disarmament Commission's indispensable role in recommending actionable solutions on disarmament issues to the General Assembly, we regret that its Substantive session earlier this year concluded without a tangible outcome.

Mr. Chair,

Nepal urges all, particularly the Nuclear-Weapon-States, to fulfill their obligations and commitments under the NPT.

As we convene the eleventh NPT Review Conference in June next year, we call on NPT States Parties to demonstrate utmost political will and genuine action to make progress towards nuclear disarmament.

We call for convening the fourth special session on disarmament (SSOD-IV) to translate the recommendations of OEWSG report on SSOD-IV and the commitments in the *Pact for the Future* into tangible progress on the ground.

Nepal remains an ardent advocate for regional disarmament as complementary to the global disarmament efforts.

As the host of the UN Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Asia and the Pacific (UNRCPD), Nepal stresses its strengthened role in fostering dialogue, supporting multi-stakeholder participation, including

women and youths, and advancing national and regional disarmament processes.

We remain committed to providing continued diplomatic, financial, and logistical support to the Centre for effective discharge of its mandates.

We urge the esteemed Member States and other partners to support the Centre, including through voluntary financial assistance, and foster meaningful collaboration in disarmament works.

Mr. Chair,

Let me reiterate that Nepal has tabled a draft resolution on UNRCPD contained in L.49 for the Committee's consideration under this cluster.

We extend sincere gratitude to the esteemed Member States who have already co-sponsored the draft resolution, and request others to do so on a priority basis.

We are confident in receiving continued valuable support from all delegations for the adoption of this draft resolution by consensus.

Thank you.