

**Statement by the Kyrgyz Republic
Cluster on “Nuclear Weapons” — Thematic Debates of the First
Committee**

Mr. Chair,

The Kyrgyz Republic remains firmly committed to achieving a world free of nuclear weapons. We believe that their complete, irreversible, and verifiable elimination is the only true guarantee against their use.

Kyrgyzstan attaches great importance to strengthening and expanding nuclear-weapon-free zones, which are effective tools for preventing proliferation. As a key initiator and depositary of the Treaty on a Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone in Central Asia, we will continue to promote disarmament and non-proliferation efforts. We also support similar initiatives in Africa, Southeast Asia, the Middle East, and other regions, and believe such initiatives should continue to be adopted by consensus.

We strongly support international efforts toward the total elimination of nuclear weapons. We call on States that have not yet done so to sign and ratify the CTBT, so it can finally enter into force. Nuclear testing must remain a thing of the past.

Recently Kyrgyzstan signed the TPNW, reaffirming our unwavering commitment to disarmament, non-proliferation, and international security.

We underline the central role of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons. As we approach the 2026 NPT Review Conference under the chairmanship of Viet Nam, Kyrgyzstan calls on all States Parties to work constructively to strengthen transparency, verification, and cooperation. Let us make this conference a milestone for real progress.

Kyrgyzstan attaches great importance to addressing the humanitarian and environmental consequences of nuclear weapons. Our region knows too well the devastating legacy of nuclear testing at the Semipalatinsk site. We stand in solidarity with affected countries and support efforts to assist victims and restore the environment. In this regard, we welcome the work and the initiatives of Kazakhstan and Kiribati.

We also support strengthening the physical protection of nuclear materials and improving the legal framework for their safe use. Our ratification of the Additional Protocol to the IAEA Safeguards Agreement demonstrates our transparency and readiness for cooperation.

Mr. Chair,

The Kyrgyz Republic believes that progress in nuclear disarmament can only be achieved through multilateral, transparent, and inclusive processes. We call on all States to show the political will needed to achieve our shared goal — a world free of nuclear weapons.

Thank you.