



**Statement at the Agenda item: Other Disarmament Measures and International Security**  
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The Republic of Moldova aligns itself with the statement delivered by the European Union.

In today's interconnected world, digital and emerging technologies bring both enormous potential and significant risks to international peace and security. Cybersecurity has become a critical element of global stability. We welcome the adoption of the final report of the Open-Ended Working Group on ICTs (2021 - 2025) and support the establishment of the Global Mechanism as a permanent UN platform to advance responsible State behaviour in cyberspace.

The implementation of the UN framework, including respect for international law, adherence to voluntary norms, development of confidence-building measures, and strengthening of cyber capacity, has never been more urgent. Malicious cyber activities, including ransomware operations, threats to critical infrastructure, and the misuse of commercial cyber tools, continue to escalate in complexity and scale.

The Republic of Moldova, situated in a vulnerable region, has recently faced targeted cyberattacks aimed at disrupting our parliamentary elections and undermining democratic institutions. These threats are a stark reminder that no country is immune. We reaffirm our strong commitment to collective efforts under the Global Mechanism to turn shared principles into effective and resilient action.

Cyber capacity-building is essential for ensuring that all states, especially developing and vulnerable countries, can defend against and respond to evolving cyber threats. The Republic of Moldova supports efforts to deliver tailored, inclusive assistance that reinforces national institutions and promotes regional cooperation.

We must also consider the dual-use nature of emerging technologies, particularly Artificial Intelligence. While AI offers opportunities for peaceful development, its military applications raise serious ethical and security concerns. The Republic of Moldova welcomes the Secretary-General's report A/80/78 and supports the proposal for inclusive consultations on responsible military use of AI.

We also welcome the second year of the resolution on this issue, co-coordinated by the Netherlands and the Republic of Korea, and are happy to cosponsor it. We commend both countries for their continued leadership and commitment to advancing this timely initiative.

The contribution of non-governmental stakeholders, including civil society, academia, the private sector, and technical experts, is vital. Their involvement enhances transparency, trust, and practical implementation of international commitments.

Moldova stands ready to actively contribute to the Global Mechanism's Thematic Groups and to international discussions on the responsible use of digital technologies. We remain committed to strengthening cyber resilience, upholding international law, and ensuring that technological progress supports, not threatens, international peace and security.