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## **STATEMENT OF SLOVENIA**

### **THEMATIC DEBATE ON NUCLEAR CLUSTER**

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Mr. Chairman,

Slovenia aligns itself with the statement delivered by the European Union and would like to offer the following remarks in its national capacity.

Mr. Chairman,

Preventing any use of nuclear weapons must remain our highest priority. In this regard, I would like to recall the Joint Statement of the Leaders of the Five Nuclear-Weapon States on Preventing Nuclear War and Avoiding Arms Races from January 2022.

Slovenia continues to view the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT) as the cornerstone of international peace and security. Its pillars: non-proliferation, disarmament, and the peaceful uses of nuclear energy are as vital today as ever. Slovenia calls on all States Parties to work together towards a meaningful outcome of the 2026 Review Conference.

Moreover Mr. Chairman,

Slovenia strongly supports the entry into force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT) and urges the remaining Annex 2 States to ratify it without delay. Likewise, negotiations on a verifiable Fissile Material Cut-off Treaty (FMCT) should begin without further postponement.

We encourage nuclear weapon States to show leadership through transparency and restraint. We welcome continued dialogue on strategic stability and we would value steps such as maintaining moratorium on fissile-material production by China, as well as Russia's return to full implementation of the New START Treaty, constructive engagement on a successor framework and re-ratification of the CTBT.

Mr. Chairman,

Slovenia remains concerned with the scope and transparency of Iran's nuclear program, especially the stockpile of highly enriched uranium. Slovenia has called out Iran's unacceptable disregard for its non-proliferation obligations. And it has also called out that nuclear facilities should never be attacked. The only viable path is a peaceful solution, with the JCPoA's regime and objectives meaningfully restored.

We are equally concerned by the trajectory of DPRK's nuclear program. The DPRK must comply with all relevant UN Security Council resolutions with a view of abandoning all its nuclear weapons, other weapons of mass

destruction and ballistic missile programs. Until then, we will keep calling on all states to fully and effectively implement the sanctions in force.

To conclude, Slovenia calls for responsible action to preserve and strengthen the global arms-control, disarmament and non-proliferation architecture and to pursue verifiable, balanced, and irreversible progress toward nuclear disarmament.

I thank you.