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1. At the outset, I extend Brunei Darussalam's congratulations on your election to this important role Mr. President, as well as to all members of your bureau. Please be assured of Brunei's full support to you and your team as we embark on the important work of this 11th Review Conference.
2. Brunei also aligns itself with the statements delivered on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement and ASEAN, respectively.

Mr. President,

3. The Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons NPT is, and will continue to be the foundation of global disarmament, non-proliferation and peaceful uses of nuclear energy. Today's unpredictable security environment compels us to redouble and refine our efforts to achieve full implementation of the Treaty.
4. In this regard, Brunei Darussalam reaffirms its unequivocal support for the NPT as the cornerstone of the global nuclear non-proliferation regime, the essential foundation for the pursuit of nuclear disarmament in accordance with Article VI, and an important element in advancing the peaceful uses of nuclear energy pursuant to Article IV. We underscore that the Treaty remains crucial to the maintenance of international peace and security. This commitment was also reaffirmed by the 25th ASEAN-European Union Ministerial Meeting, hosted by Brunei Darussalam on 27 to 28 April 2026.
5. Therefore, we call on all State Parties to the NPT to take essential steps and concrete action, as well as the necessary political will to ensure that a meaningful, substantive and balanced outcome can be reached at this Review Conference.

(Pillar I: Nuclear Disarmament)

Mr. President,

6. As a State Party to the NPT, Brunei remains committed to upholding international law and the integrity of the global disarmament and non-proliferation regime. This is in line with our long upheld and established policies that prohibit the development, acquisition or proliferation of any weapons of mass destruction, including nuclear weapons.
7. Brunei is fully committed to the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT) and its objective of banning all nuclear test explosions. As nuclear weapons delivery systems grow ever more advanced, we call on the remaining Annex 2 States to honor their commitments. Their signature and ratification to the CTBT are essential for its entry into force.

(Pillar II: Non-Proliferation)

Mr. President,

8. Enhancing regional security remains a key priority for Brunei. The Southeast Asia Nuclear Weapon-Free Zone (SEANWFZ) has stood as an effective mechanism for contributing to the sustained peace, security and prosperity of the Southeast Asian region. We warmly welcome the recent accession of Timor-Leste to the SEANWFZ Treaty, which further consolidates the integrity of the Treaty and reinforces ASEAN's unified stance against nuclear weapons.
9. The same commitment we apply to our own region, we extend to others. Brunei welcomes and strongly supports initiatives to strengthen regional security across the globe. In this regard, we reiterate our firm support for the establishment of a Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone in the Middle East, as an important and long-overdue step towards lasting peace and stability.

(Pillar III: Peaceful Uses of Nuclear Energy)

Mr. President,

10. Brunei has made steady progress in promoting safe, secure, and peaceful use of nuclear technology. We have benefitted greatly from the assistance of and support from the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), which has strengthened our regulatory infrastructure and given us the confidence to elevate our commitments. Among others, we have adopted the IAEA's Milestones Approach as our guiding framework to enable us to consider the possibility of deploying a nuclear power programme in the late 2030s or early 2040.
11. We look forward to further strengthening our partnership and enhancing strategic collaboration in support of the peaceful use of nuclear energy.
12. In conclusion, the NPT remains, by its very nature, a multilateral instrument that can only endure and thrive through genuine collective commitment and strengthened multilateral cooperation. Brunei Darussalam will therefore continue to engage constructively and in good faith as we advance the Treaty's full implementation and our shared aspiration of a world free of nuclear weapons.

Thank you, Mr. President.