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Mr. Chairman, Countries parties to the NPT Committee for the 2000 NPT,

It is privilege for the delegation of Indonesia to introduce a working paper containing the preliminary views of the Movement which are parties to the NPT concerns the NPT Review Conference of the year 2000 and its Preparatory Committee meetings.

That conference has rightly been called an historic commitment to non-proliferation and disarmament. It was recognized existing legal obligations would not suffice without at the same opportunity to strengthen global recognized that merely reaffirming me formulating new approaches for their full and effective implementation. These arc reflected in the decisions reached and the resolution adopted in 1995. Taken together, they constitute an integral and inter-linked undertaking at must at all times be recognized.

Members of the Non-Aligned Movement are conscious of the reality that the Treaty is a key international instrument in stemming both vertical and horizontal proliferation emphasizing one while marginalizing the other is unlikely to enhance the credibility important to strike a harmonious balance between the obligations and non-nuclear countries.

The specific objectives that we seek in the context of fulfilling Parties are the following: credibility of the Treaty. It is equally and responsibilities of the nuclear fulfilling the commitments of the States

* The universality of the Treaty which has become more important for the effective implementation of its provisions;

* The commencement of negotiations leading to the conclusion of a legally binding international instrument on negative security assurances to the non-nuclear states against the threat or use of nuclear weapons;

* An agreement to ban the production of all weapons usable fissile material which should be non-discriminatory, effectively verifiable and universally applicable;

* The priority question of elimination of nuclear arsenals which is to be pursued through the establishment of an ad hoc committee should the into account the Proposal for a Program of Action for the Elimination of Nuclear Weapons submitted by the 28 members of that Conference as well as other proposals;

* The establishment of nuclear weapons free basis of agreements freely arrived at among the state of where they do not now exist on the - - agreements freely arrived at among the states of regions concerned which will further bolster the non-proliferation regime;
* Unimpeded and non-discriminatory access to nuclear materials and technology for peaceful purposes on an assured and long-term basis.

Two members of the NAM have explained the interpretation they assign to the words "within a specified framework of time" used in the NAM Working Paper, in reference to nuclear disarmament. Nuclear disarmament and non-proliferation remain high priorities to these countries: they have sought to engage the Nuclear Weapons States in order to reach agreement on the practical steps and negotiations required to adopt a programme of systematic and progressive steps to totally eliminate nuclear weapons in the shortest time possible.

The Non-Aligned countries parties to the NPT are conscious that with the exception of one country, all states in the Middle East region are parties to the NPT. It is therefore essential to call upon this country to accede to the Treaty without undue delay and to place its nuclear facilities under full-scope safeguards of the IAEA.

In the context of the foregoing, it is the expectation of the countries belonging to this group of countries that participants in the Preparatory Committee meetings will endeavor to elaborate rolling texts for consideration by the upcoming second and third Preparatory Committee and the Review Conference as a basis for a final document.

The paper that we submit also touches on guidelines on organizational matter. On substantive matters, it calls for discussions so be conducted in a structured, coherent and focused manner. Finally the paper invite the participation of observer states as well as non-governmental organizations.

It is the expectation of the Non-Aligned countries which are parties to the NPT that their proposals will receive due consideration in advancing our common endeavors of furthering strengthening the NPT.

Thank you, Mr. Chairman