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**Statement on behalf of the  
Group of Member States of the Non-Aligned Movement  
delivered by  
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the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons  
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I have the honor to speak on behalf of the NAM.

Madam President, we would like to express our deep disappointment and dismay over a situation that we never expected to happen in the Review Conference. 191 State parties to the Treaty made tremendous offers to elaborate the provisions of the draft final document to cover the review all articles of the treaty for 4 weeks, days and nights.

The assessments given by the Review Conference in the sections of backward looking and defining the road map in front of us in the forward looking sections

were supposed to guide us in the coming 5 years within the disarmament agenda. We are really surprised that today 3 delegations rejected the possibility for the conference to agree on the minimum common denominators defined as a result of the intensive formal and informal discussions of the Main Committees of the Conference.

Madam President, the working paper that you suggested was not in fact the result of your personal efforts but was reflecting the common minimum denominators which you and many main interlocutors perceived to be as the possible compromise in the Conference.

Let me state very clearly that the NAM was ready to join the consensus on the paper you just presented if no delegation objected its adoption. This position was in fact had been taken despite the dissatisfaction.

I am sure, Madam President, that these 3 delegations who objected the adoption of your proposal today are conscious of the impact of their action on the disarmament agenda in general and on the political situation in the Middle East. We were highly surprised to see that 2 depositaries of the Treaty are ready to block the consensus of the Conference with the high cost, only to safeguard the interest of a certain non-party which has endangered the peace and security of the region by developing a nuclear weapon program and not placing its facilities under the IAEA Safeguards.

Madam President, I would like to conclude by congratulating you sincerely and wholeheartedly for the wisdom and perseverance you have indicated; for the pragmatic manner in which you have steered the work of the Conference; and for your prudent leadership in successfully directing our collective efforts towards a consensus outcome document. We recognize your courage and wisdom in working efficiently and guiding skillfully the Conference. Our thanks also go to your team, the Chairs of Credentials Committee, Main Committees and Subsidiary Bodies, as well as the Secretariat's team.

I thank you.