

Statement

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Mr. Chairman,

- 1. I am very pleased to speak on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement.
- 2. While noting that considerable progress has been made in developing and applying the latest information technologies and means of telecommunication, the Movement is concerned that these technologies and means can potentially be used for purposes that are inconsistent with the objectives of maintaining international stability and security and may adversely affect the integrity of the infrastructure of States to the detriment of their security in both civil and military fields.
- 3. The Movement highlights the important socio-economic opportunities, in particular for developing countries, provided by Information and communication technologies, and underscores the need to prevent all discriminatory practices and policies that hinder access by developing countries to the benefits of information and communication technologies. NAM notes with concern cases of illegal use of new Information and Communications Technologies, including with social networks, to the detriment of Member States of the Movement, and expresses its strongest rejection of those violations.
- 4. The Movement stresses the importance of ensuring that the use of such technologies is fully in accordance with the purposes and principles of the UN Charter, International Law and, especially, the principles of sovereignty, non-interference in the internal affairs and internationally-known rules of peaceful coexistence among States.
- 5. The Movement is concerned that these technologies and means can potentially be used for purposes that are inconsistent with the objectives of maintaining international stability and security and may adversely affect the

- integrity of the infrastructure of States to the detriment of their security in both civil and military fields.
- 6. While taking into account ongoing efforts within the UN, NAM calls upon Member States to further promote at multilateral levels the consideration of existing and potential threats in the field of information security, as well as possible strategies to address threats emerging in this field.
- 7. NAM calls for the intensification of efforts towards safeguarding cyberspace from becoming an arena of conflict, and ensuring instead the exclusive peaceful uses, which would enable full realization of the potential of ICT for contributing to social and economic development. The Movement further highlights the central role of governments in areas related to public policy aspects of ICT security.
- 8. As the use of ICT has the potential to endanger international peace and security, countering such emerging security challenges and reducing their risk is essential. Development of a legal framework to address these issues should be pursued within the UN with active and equal participation of all States.

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9. The Movement also emphasizes the importance of observance of environmental norms in the preparation and implementation of disarmament and arms limitation agreements. Furthermore, the Movement reaffirms that international disarmament forums should take fully into account the relevant environmental norms in negotiating treaties and agreements on disarmament and arms limitation, and that all States, through their actions, should contribute fully to ensuring compliance with the aforementioned norms in

the implementation of treaties and conventions to which they are parties.

10.NAM is presenting three resolutions in this cluster entitled:

- "Effects of the use of armaments and ammunitions containing depleted uranium;"
- "Observance of environmental norms in the drafting and implementation of agreements on disarmament and arms control;"
- and "Promotion of multilateralism in the area of disarmament and non-proliferation;"

for which NAM will very much welcome support by all UN Member States.

Thank you.