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2015 NPT REVIEW CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES TO THE TREATY ON THE NON-PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS

Monday, 27 April 2015, at 10.30 a.m.
General Assembly hall

Opening of the Conference by the Chairman of the Third Session of the Preparatory

its provisions, as well as the consensus outcomes of previous Review Conferences, so as to uphold the integrity of the Treaty and to ensure that it remains the cornerstone of the global nuclear non-proliferation regime.

Excellencies, distinguished Delegates,

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Following the practice of previous review conferences, I now wish to introduce the Final Report of the Preparatory Committee (NPT/CONF.2015/1), adopted on 9 May 2014. The Committee held three sessions during the period April 2012 to May 2014. 148 States parties to the Treaty participated in the work of one or more of the sessions of the Preparatory Committee. States not party to the Treaty, specialized agencies and international and regional intergovernmental organizations, as well as representatives of academia and non-governmental organizations have attended meetings of the

Preparatory Committee in accordance with the modalities of attendance agreed by the Committee. At each session of the Preparatory Committee, a meeting was specifically allocated to representatives of non governmental organizations to address delegations.

The Preparatory Committee was able to agree and make a recommendation on all main issues related to the organization of the Conference in particular the date and venue

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Ladies and Gentlemen,

At this stage, it is my privilege and duty to take up a particular issue, namely the recommendation for the office of the President of the Conference.