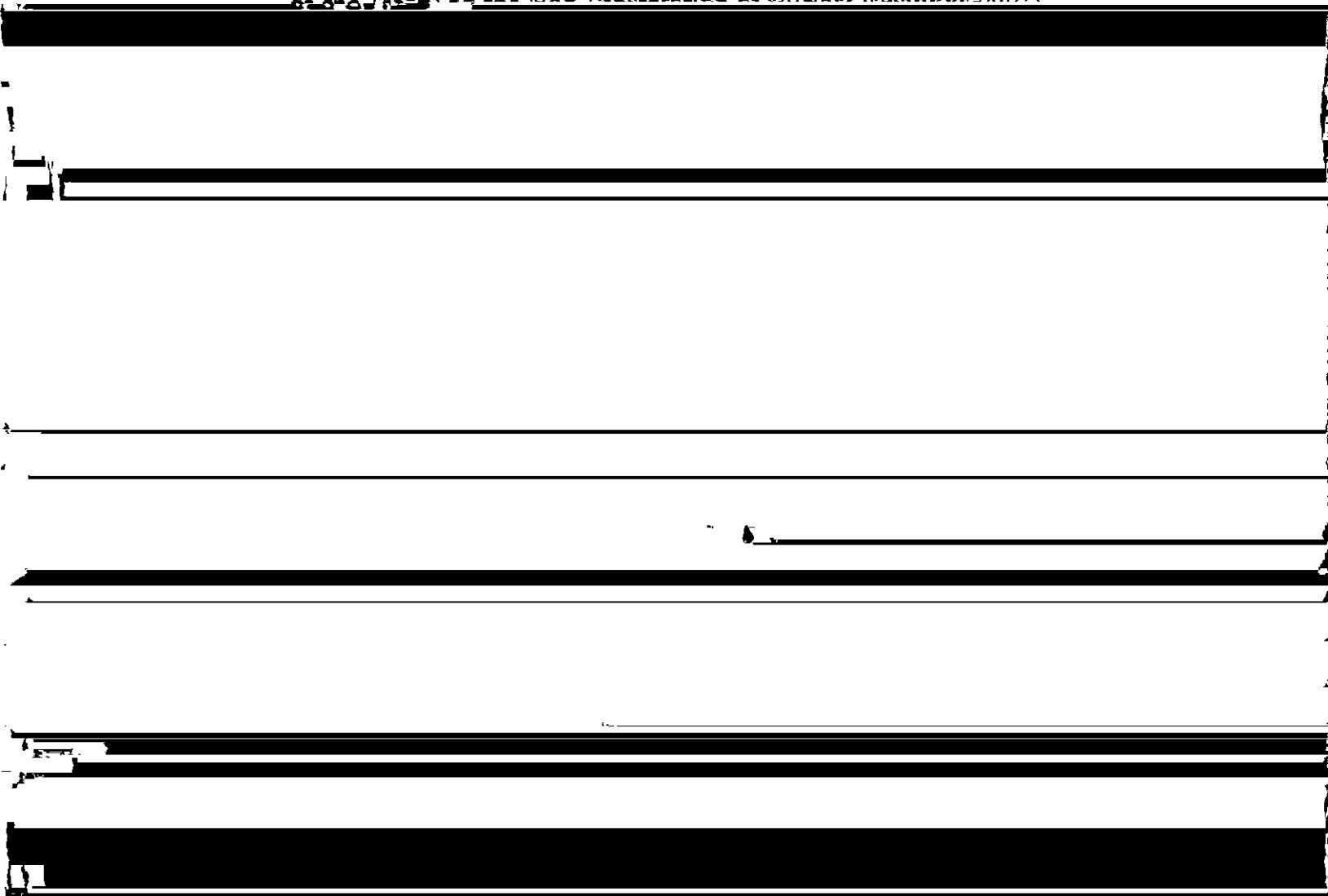




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Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

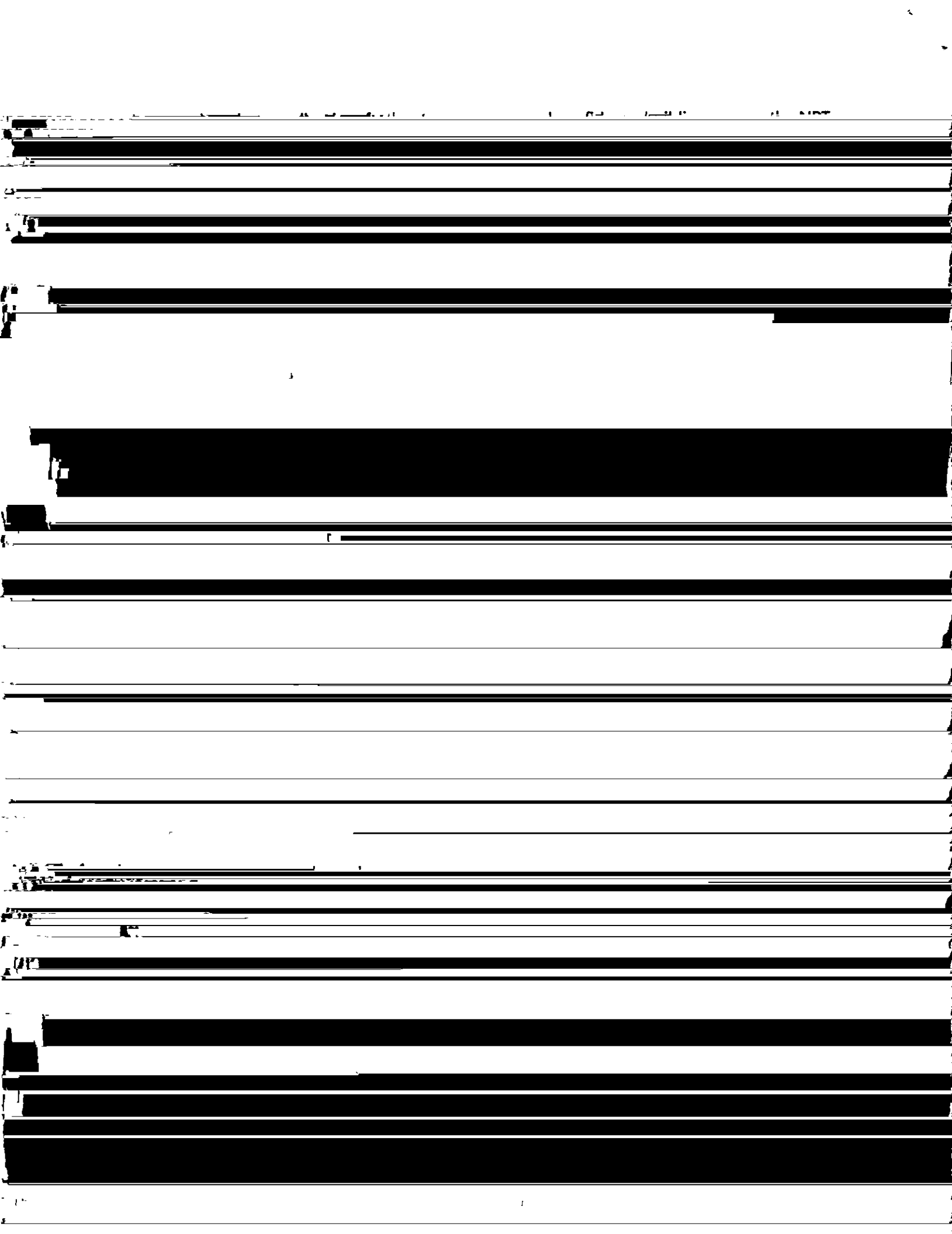
Let me first congratulate you on assuming the important task as Chair of the Main Committee I. You have the full support of this delegation.

Finland fully aligns itself with the statement made by the European Union.

In 2010 NPT Final Document and Action Plan, all States Parties committed to pursue policies

towards nuclear disarmament and the objective of achieving a world without nuclear weapons.

Now is the time to reflect upon we are with these commitments.



As one of the "Friends of the CTBT" Finland underlines the urgency of the entry into force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty.

Civil society should be an integral part of disarmament and non-proliferation discussions in all forums. Finland has encouraged and supported participation of civil society in the disarmament fora, and has once again a civil society representative as part of our national delegation here in the NPT Review Conference.

Mr Chairman,

Let me assure you that the Finnish delegation will work towards a consensus outcome of the NPT Review Conference. The frustration on slow progress is not a reason to stop working. The 2010 Action Plan is a good basis and we should work together to elaborate further measures and disarmament commitments in order to guarantee continued progress to achieve the goals of the NPT.

I thank you Mr Chairman

