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Review Conference of the Parties to**

**the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons
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In the Name of God, the Most Compassionate, the Most Merciful

Mr. Chairman,

1. I am honored to speak on behalf of the Group of the Non-Aligned States Parties to the Treaty. I congratulate you for your chairmanship and assure you of our full cooperation.

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4. In the view of the Group transfers of nuclear technology and international cooperation among States Parties in conformity with the Treaty shall be supported and pursued in good faith

8. In this regard, while recognizing that States parties may pursue different ways to access sustainable energy resources and achieve their energy security and climate protection goals, the Group once again reaffirms that each State party, in line with its national requirements and in accordance with its rights and obligations under the Treaty, has a sovereign right to define its national energy and fuel-cycle policies, that, inter alia, includes an inalienable right to develop, for peaceful purposes, a full national nuclear fuel-cycle.

9. The Group stresses that multilateral approaches to the nuclear fuel cycle should fully take into account all technical, legal, political and economic implications and complexities surrounding this sensitive matter, and be economically viable, sustainable, non-discriminatory, predictable and transparent. Additionally, any decision thereon shall be made by consensus, taking into account the interests of all States, and above all, without any prejudice to the inalienable right of NPT States parties to develop research, production and use of nuclear energy

national nuclear fuel-cycle in conformity with their obligations under the Treaty.

10. The Group emphasizes that proliferation concerns are best addressed through

on nuclear facilities devoted to peaceful uses of nuclear energy. Moreover, the Group strongly

urges all States to undertake unequivocally, in accordance with the purpose and principles of the Charter of the United Nations, to refrain from attacks or threat of attacks on nuclear facilities, operational or under construction, devoted to peaceful purposes.

13. The NAM expresses its serious concern regarding certain unilateral, politically motivated restrictions and/or limitations posed on developing countries that seriously hamper the exercise of the inalienable rights of States parties to develop research, production and use of nuclear energy for peaceful purposes, and believes in that regard

17. As a contribution to the work of the Conference, the Group of the Non-Aligned States Parties to the Treaty has presented its Working Papers titled "The inalienable right to develop research, production and uses of nuclear energy for peaceful purposes", and "Substantive Recommendations", which details the Group's position on issues under this Committee. I urge the Committee to consider them and the recommendations contained therein in order to

incorporate them into the final report of the Committee.

18. While the Group reserves its right to present further recommendations during the work of the Committee, I would like to present the following recommendations of the Group of the Non-

-To underscore that nothing in the Non-Proliferation Treaty shall be interpreted as affecting the inalienable right of all the parties to the Treaty to develop, research, produce and use nuclear energy for peaceful purposes, without discrimination, including the development of a full

- To express concern that certain unilateral, politically motivated restrictions and/or limitations seriously hamper the exercise by developing States parties of their inalienable rights to develop research, production and use of nuclear energy for peaceful purposes, including to participate in the fullest possible exchange of equipment, materials and scientific and technological information for the peaceful uses of nuclear energy.

- To express concern that some States parties have set conditions that limit the export of equipment, materials and scientific and technological information for the peaceful uses of nuclear energy to developing States parties, such as concluding and bringing into force an additional protocol. Any such conditions contravenes article IV of the Treaty, which is explicit in that regard, leaving no room for reinterpretation or setting conditions for the peaceful uses of nuclear energy by non-nuclear-weapon States.

- To reaffirm that any interpretation that is used as a pretext to prevent the transfer of nuclear technology for peaceful purposes is inconsistent with the Treaty.

technical cooperation projects are robust and effective, and that no additional criteria should be imposed for fulfilling the above-mentioned objectives.

- strongly reject any attempt by any State to politicize the work of IAEA, including the use of its


