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MAIN COMMITTEE I

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Mr. Chair,

Let me first of all congratulate you on your appointment as Chair of


this Main Committee I. I would also like to assure you of my Delegation's full support and cooperation.


Italy aligns itself with the statement made by the European Union.

Having said that, I would like to add some additional remarks in a national capacity.


We are committed to achieving a successful outcome of this


Italy will continue contributing to the creation of the conditions for a safer world for all without nuclear weapons, in accordance with Article VI of the NPT, focusing on common sense.







In this vein, Italy has joined the statement made by the Australian delegation on behalf of a large group of like-minded countries. Furthermore, we are contributing constructively to the work of the NPT.









This Treaty would be crucial to foster both disarmament and nuclear non-proliferation. In the meantime, we continue supporting the moratorium on the production of fissile material.

Moreover, we welcome the launch of the International Partnership for Nuclear Disarmament Verification, as an innovative initiative involving both Nuclear and Non-Nuclear Weapon States, and we intend to be fully engaged in it by making available all our relevant expertise.



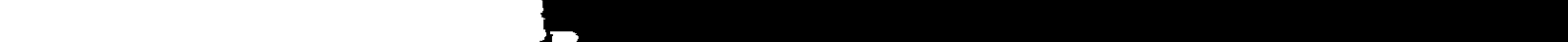

Mr. Chair,

We welcome the reduction made by most of the nuclear weapons States. In this context, we value the indications of progress in implementing the New START Treaty by the Russian Federation and the United States. We strongly encourage them to seek further reductions in their nuclear arsenals including strategic, non-strategic deployed and non-deployed weapons.

We appreciate the holding of nuclear weapons States conferences on



the follow-up to the 2010 NPT Review Conference and their concrete deliverables, such as the P5 Glossary of key nuclear terms, as well as other



1970. They were made clear to negotiating delegations and were made public. The abovementioned arrangements are fully compatible with the NPT obligations of NATO Allies.

Thank you, Mr. Chair.

