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I. Introduction

The Conference on Disarmament submits to the seventy-ninth session of the General Assembly of the United Nations its annual report on its 2024 session, together with the pertinent documents and records.

II. Organization of the work of the Conference

A. 2024 session of the Conference

2. The Conference was in session from 22 January to 28 March, 13 May to 28 June and 29 July to 13 September 2024. During this period, the Conference held 42 formal plenary meetings, at which member States outlined their views and recommendations on the various issues before the Conference.

3. The Conference also held six informal plenary meetings.

4. The Presidency was assumed in accordance with rule 9 of the Rules of Procedure, as specified in Appendix I to this report.

5. At the first plenary meeting of the 2024 session on 23 January 2024, Ms. Tatiana Valovaya, Secretary-General of the Conference on Disarmament and Personal Representative of the Secretary-General of the United Nations, addressed the Conference (CD/PV.1695). The Secretary-General of the United Nations, Mr. António Guterres, addressed the Conference on Disarmament on 26 February 2024 (CD/PV.1704).

6. Upon the joint invitation, by a letter dated 2 February 2024, of the first President of the Conference, Mr. Anupam Ray, Ambassador of India, and the Secretary-General of the Conference on Disarmament and Personal Representative of the Secretary-General of the United Nations, the following dignitaries delivered high-level statements to the Conference, including during the week of 26 February: Ms. Retno L.P. Marsudi, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Indonesia (CD/PV.1703); Ms. Gabriela Sommerfeld, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Human Mobility of Ecuador (CD/PV.1703); Mr. Ali Sabry, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Sri Lanka (CD/PV.1703); Mr. Sameh Shoukry, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Arab Republic of Egypt (CD/PV.1703); Mr. Faisal Bin Farhan Al Saud, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Saudi Arabia (CD/PV.1703); Ms. Marjolijn van Deelen, European Union Special Envoy for Disarmament and Non-proliferation (CD/PV.1703); Ms. Bonnie Jenkins, Under Secretary for Arms Control and International Security of the United States (CD/PV.1703); Mr. Carlos Márcio Cozendey, Secretary for Political Multilateral Affairs of Brazil (CD/PV.1703); Mr. Burak Akçapar, Deputy Foreign Minister of Türkiye (CD/PV.1703); Mr. Todd McClay, Associate Minister of Foreign Affairs of New Zealand (CD/PV.1703); Ms. Elina Valtonen, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Finland (CD/PV.1703); Ms. Lolwah Rashid Al-Khater, Minister of State for International Cooperation of Qatar (CD/PV.1703); Ms. Anna Jardfelt, Permanent Representative and Head of Delegation to the Permanent Mission of Sweden (CD/PV.1703); Mr. Luis Gilberto Murillo Urrutia, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Colombia (CD/PV.1703); Mr. José Manuel Albares Bueno, Minister for Foreign Affairs, European Union and Cooperation of Spain (CD/PV.1703); Mr. Robert Floyd, Executive Secretary, Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization (CD/PV.1703); Mr. Anupam Ray, Permanent Representative of India to the Conference on Disarmament (CD/PV.1704); Mr. Leopoldo Francisco Sahores, Viceministro de Relaciones Exteriores, Comercio Internacional y Culto de la República Argentina (CD/PV.1704); Mr. Hossein Amir-Abdollahian, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Iran (CD/PV.1704); Mr. Gerardo Peñalver Portal, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of Cuba (CD/PV.1704); Ms. Kang Insun, Vice Foreign Minister of the Republic of Korea (CD/PV.1704); Ms. Pam Damoff, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Canada (CD/PV.1704); Mr. Sun Xiaobo, Director General of the Arms Control Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of China (CD/PV.1704); Mr. Abiodun Richards Adejola, Ambassador of Nigeria (CD/PV.1704); Mr. Rachid Bladehane, Permanent Representative of Algeria to the United Nations Office at Geneva (CD/PV.1704); Ms.

Désirée Schweitzer, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Permanent Representative of Austria to the United Nations Office at Geneva (CD/PV.1704); Mr. Andreas Kravik, Deputy Foreign Minister of Norway (CD/PV.1704); Mr. Murat Nurtleu, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kazakhstan (CD/PV.1705); Mr. Peter Burke, Minister of State for European Affairs and Defence of Ireland; Mr. Yván Gil Pinto, Minister of People's Power for Foreign Affairs of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela (CD/PV.1705); Mr. Omer Ahmed Kerim Berzinji, Foreign Ministry undersecretary for Multilateral Relations and Legal Affairs of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Iraq (CD/PV.1705); Ms. Anna Louise (Lucy) Duncan, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of New Zealand to the Conference on Disarmament (CD/PV.1705); Ms. Hanke Bruins Slot, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands (Kingdom of the) (CD/PV.1705); Ms. Camille Petit, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of France to the Conference on Disarmament (CD/PV.1705); Mr. Thomas Göbel, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of the Federal Republic of Germany to the Conference on Disarmament in Geneva (CD/PV.1705); Ms. Luminița Odobescu, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Romania (CD/PV.1705); Mr. Leonardo Bencini, Permanent Representative of Italy to the Conference on Disarmament in Geneva (CD/PV.1705); Mr. Frederick M. M. Shava, Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Trade of Zimbabwe (CD/PV.1705); Ms. Naledi Pandor, Minister of International Relations and Cooperation of South Africa (CD/PV.1705); Mr. Ararat Mirzoyan, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia (CD/PV.1705); Mr. Tim Watts, Assistant Minister for Foreign Affairs of Australia (CD/PV.1705); Ms. Yevheniia Filipenko, Permanent Representative of Ukraine to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva (CD/PV.1705); Mr. Jakub Wiśniewski, Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs of Poland (CD/PV.1705); Mr. Joel Antonio Hernández García, Undersecretary for Multilateral Affairs and Human Rights of Mexico (CD/PV.1705); Mr. Marek Eštok, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Slovak Republic (CD/PV.1706); Mr. Sabri Bachtobji, Ambassador Permanent Representative of Tunisia (CD/PV.1706); Mr. Datuk Mohamad Bin Alamin, Deputy Foreign Minister of Malaysia (CD/PV.1706); Mr. Yoichi Fukazawa, Parliamentary Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs of Japan (CD/PV.1706); Mr. Fayssal Mekdad, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Expatriates of the Syrian Arab Republic (CD/PV.1706); Mr. Muhammad Syrus Sajjad Qazi, Foreign Secretary of Pakistan (CD/PV.1706); Ms. Larysa Belskaya, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Belarus at the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva (CD/PV.1706); Ms. Meirav Eilon Shahr, Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of Israel to the UN (CD/PV.1706); Ms. Romy Tincopa, Deputy Permanent Representative of Peru (CD/PV.1706); Lord Tariq Ahmad of Wimbledon, Minister of State for the Middle East, South Asia, Commonwealth, United Nations and the Prime Minister's Special Representative on Preventing Sexual Violence in Conflict, United Kingdom (CD/PV.1706); Ms. Angela Chavez Bietti, Permanent Representative of the Permanent Mission of Guatemala to the United Nations Office at Geneva (CD/PV.1706); Ms. Claudia Fuentes, Permanent Representative of Chile to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva (CD/PV.1706); Ms. Kristine Leilani Salle, Deputy Permanent Representative of the Permanent Mission of Philippines to the United Nations Office at Geneva (CD/PV.1706); Mr. Yuri Sterk, Permanent Representative of Bulgaria to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva (CD/PV.1706); Ms. Shanchita Haque, Chargé d'Affaires of the Permanent Mission of the People's Republic of Bangladesh to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva (CD/PV.1707); Mr. Gennady Gatilov, Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the United Nations Office and Other International Organizations in Geneva (CD/PV.1708).

7. The substantive Secretariat of the Conference on Disarmament was composed as follows: Ms. Tatiana Valovaya, Secretary-General of the Conference on Disarmament and Personal Representative of the Secretary-General of the United Nations; Ms. C. Mélanie Régimbal, Deputy Secretary-General of the Conference and Chief of Service of the Geneva Branch, United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs; Mr. Michael Spies, Senior Political Affairs Officer; Ms. Alice Marzi, Associate Political Affairs Officer; and Ms. Ariana Smith, Associate Political Affairs Officer.

B. Participants in the work of the Conference

8. The representatives of the following 65 member States participated in the work of the Conference: Algeria, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bangladesh, Belarus, Belgium, Brazil, Bulgaria, Cameroon, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, Cuba, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ecuador, Egypt, Ethiopia, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Malaysia, Mexico, Mongolia, Morocco, Myanmar, Netherlands (Kingdom of the), New Zealand, Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Peru, Poland, Republic of Korea, Romania, Russian Federation, Senegal, Slovakia, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sweden, Switzerland, Syrian Arab Republic, Tunisia, Türkiye, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), Viet Nam and Zimbabwe.

C. Attendance and participation of States not members of the Conference

9. In accordance with the rules of procedure and the decision taken at its 1990 session on its improved and effective functioning (CD/1036), the Conference received 39 requests for participation in its work as contained in CD/WP.653, CD/WP.653/Add.1, CD/WP.653/Add.2, CD/WP.653/Add.3 and CD/WP.653/Add.4. Delegations expressed their views on this matter during the formal and informal meetings.

10. In response to the requests for participation, the Conference invited the following non-member States to participate in its work: Angola, Armenia, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Dominican Republic, Georgia, Ghana, Guatemala, Holy See, Jordan, Kuwait, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Libya, Niger, Panama, Philippines, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Serbia, Thailand, United Arab Emirates. The Conference did not reach agreement on the other requests to participate in the work of the Conference. The views and positions of delegations are duly reflected in the relevant plenary meeting records. Decisions on this matter are reflected in CD/PV.1698, CD/PV.1699 and CD/PV.1710.

D. Agenda and programme of work for the 2024 session

11. At its 1695th plenary meeting on 23 January 2024, a draft agenda was presented by the first President of the Conference and reviewed in accordance with rule 29 of the rules of procedure. The Conference on Disarmament adopted the following agenda (CD/2382) for the 2024 session (CD/PV.1695):

“Taking into account, inter alia, the relevant provisions of the Final Document of the First Special Session of the General Assembly devoted to disarmament, and deciding to resume its consultations on the review of its agenda, and without prejudice to their outcome, the Conference adopts the following agenda for its 2024 session:

1. Cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament.
2. Prevention of nuclear war, including all related matters.
3. Prevention of an arms race in outer space.
4. Effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons.
5. New types of weapons of mass destruction and new systems of such weapons; radiological weapons.
6. Comprehensive programme of disarmament.
7. Transparency in armaments.
8. Consideration and adoption of the annual report and any other report, as appropriate, to the General Assembly of the United Nations.”

12. Subsequently, the first President of the Conference made the following statement: “In connection with the adoption of the agenda, I, as the President of the Conference, should like to state that it is my understanding that if there is a consensus in the Conference to deal with any issues, they could be dealt with within this agenda. The Conference will also take into consideration rules 27 and 30 of the rules of procedure of the Conference.”

13. At the 1728th plenary meeting on 13 June 2024, the Conference adopted decision CD/2390, submitted by the fourth President of the Conference, Mr. Abdul-Karim Hashim Mostafa, Ambassador of Iraq, which reads as follows:

“The Conference on Disarmament,

Cognizant of its role as the single multilateral disarmament negotiating forum established by the First Special Session of the General Assembly devoted to Disarmament (SSOD-I),

Noting that it provides its Member States with a platform to engage in negotiations, on the basis of the rule of consensus,

Recalling rule 28 of its Rules of Procedure which calls on the Conference to establish its programme of work on the basis of its agenda,

Recognizing the longstanding impasse on the commencement of negotiations on any agenda item, and the urgent need to advance the substantive work of the Conference, with the prospect of resuming the negotiations process,

In order to provide a programme of work for the Conference which does not prejudice any past, present or future position, proposal or priority of any delegation, while being aware of previous efforts of the Conference on Disarmament and in the Conference on Disarmament,

Conscious of the need to conduct its work in a balanced and comprehensive manner,

In pursuance of its agenda contained in CD/2382.

Decides

(a) To establish, in accordance with rule 23 of its Rules of Procedure, four Subsidiary Bodies on agenda items 1 to 4, and a fifth Subsidiary Body on agenda items 5, 6 and 7, in order to advance the substantive work on all agenda items in a comprehensive and balanced manner, bearing in mind its mandate in accordance with the Final Document of SSOD-I;

(b) The Subsidiary Bodies will be chaired by Coordinators appointed by the Conference, under the guidance of the President on the basis of equitable regional distribution;

(c) The Subsidiary Bodies shall meet in accordance with rule 24 of the Rules of Procedure, and shall conduct their work in accordance with rule 18, with even allocation of time, and shall agree on the specific topics to be considered;

(d) In accordance with rule 35 of the Rules of Procedure, the Subsidiary Bodies shall remain open to all Member States of the Conference on Disarmament and to those non-Member States that the Conference has invited to participate in its work during the 2024 session;

(e) The reports on the progress achieved including any recommendations for continuing the substantive work of the Conference on the agenda items, and agreed on by consensus in Subsidiary Bodies, would be submitted by Coordinators to the Conference on Disarmament, through the President, for adoption by consensus and due reflection in the annual report of the Conference on Disarmament to the General Assembly of the United Nations;

(f) This decision applies to the 2024 session, however, should the subsidiary bodies not be able to complete their work during the 2024 session, they may resume their work in 2025, taking into account the present decision, if the

member States of the Conference, in accordance with the rules of procedure, so decide in the 2025 session.”

14. At the 1729th plenary meeting on 19 June 2024, the Conference adopted decision CD/2391, submitted by the fourth President of the Conference, on the appointment of the coordinators of subsidiary bodies and the timetable of the meetings of the subsidiary bodies, which reads as follows:

“The Conference on Disarmament,

In accordance with Paragraph 23 of its rules of procedure and in pursuance of its decision CD/2390 to establish subsidiary bodies,

Decides

(a) To appoint, on the basis of equitable geographic distribution, the following coordinators of the Subsidiary Bodies:

Subsidiary body 1: Cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament Mr. Angel HORNA of Peru

Subsidiary body 2: Prevention of nuclear war, including all related matters H.E. Mr. Julien THÖNI, Ambassador of Switzerland

Subsidiary body 3: Prevention of an arms race in outer space H.E. Mr. Carlos Mario FORADORI, Ambassador of Argentina

Subsidiary body 4: Effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons Mr. Mohamed Gamal Ahmed ELGHITANY of Egypt

Subsidiary body 5: New types of weapons of mass destruction and new systems of such weapons; radiological weapons - Comprehensive programme of disarmament - Transparency in armaments Mr. Nikola YAKOV of Bulgaria

(b) That the subsidiary bodies will meet in accordance with the timetable annexed to this decision.”

E. Expansion of the membership of the Conference

15. The question of the expansion of the membership of the Conference was addressed by delegations in plenary meetings. Their views on the issue are duly reflected in the plenary records.

16. Since 1982, requests for membership have been received from the following 28 non-members, in chronological order: Greece, Croatia, Kuwait, Portugal, Slovenia, Czech Republic, Costa Rica, Denmark, North Macedonia, Cyprus, Lithuania, Ghana, Luxembourg, Uruguay, Philippines, Azerbaijan, Libya, Armenia, Thailand, Georgia, Jordan, Estonia, Latvia, Malta, Serbia, Republic of Moldova, Qatar and Saudi Arabia.

F. Review of the agenda of the Conference

17. The review of the agenda of the Conference was addressed by delegations in plenary meetings. The first President of the Conference noted the proposal for including a new item on the agenda, as contained in document CD/2334. Relevant records are mentioned in CD/PV.1695.

G. Improved and effective functioning of the Conference

18. The improved and effective functioning of the Conference was addressed by delegations in plenary meetings. Their views on the issue are duly reflected in the plenary records.

19. The following document was submitted to the Conference:

(a) CD/2384.

H. The Conference and non-governmental organizations, including communications from non-governmental organizations

20. During the general debate, delegations reaffirmed or further elaborated their respective positions on the Conference's interaction with civil society. Their views are duly reflected in the plenary records of the Conference.

III. Substantive work of the Conference during its 2024 session

21. During the general debate of the Conference, delegations affirmed or further elaborated their respective positions on the agenda items. These positions are duly recorded in the plenary records of the session.

22. The Conference held informal meetings on the following topics:

- (a) "Overcoming stagnation: ensuring the improved and effective functioning of the Conference on Disarmament" and "Addressing contemporary challenges: the promotion of measures to reduce distrust and build confidence" on 27 February;
- (b) "Zones free of nuclear weapons and other weapons of mass destruction" on 23 May.

23. The following document was submitted to the Conference on the topics of the informal meetings:

(a) CD/WP.654.

24. The list of documents issued by the Conference is included in Appendix II to this report. Verbatim records of the formal plenary meetings of the Conference and related information as to country and subject are digitally available online.

25. The Conference had before it a letter dated 9 January 2024 from the Secretary-General of the United Nations transmitting the resolutions and decisions on disarmament and international security matters adopted by the General Assembly at its seventy-eighth session in 2023, including those making specific reference to the Conference on Disarmament (CD/2381). The latter are listed below:

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| 78/15 | Prohibition of the development and manufacture of new types of weapons of mass destruction and new systems of such weapons: report of the Conference on disarmament | Fifth preambular paragraph: operative paragraphs 2-5 and 6 |
| 78/18 | Conclusion of effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons | Tenth, twelfth, thirteenth, and sixteenth preambular paragraphs; operative paragraphs 2, 4, and 5 |
| 78/19 | Prevention of an arms race in outer space | Sixth, eleventh, seventeenth, nineteenth, twentieth and twenty-second preambular paragraphs; operative paragraphs 5, 6 and 8 |
| 78/20 | Reducing space threats through norms, rules and principles of responsible behaviours | Seventeenth preambular paragraph; operative paragraph 9 |

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| 78/21 | No first placement of weapons in outer space | Ninth preambular paragraph; operative paragraphs 2 and 3 |
| 78/22 | Role of science and technology in the context of international security and disarmament | Seventh preambular paragraph |
| 78/27 | Follow-up to the 2013 high-level meeting of the General Assembly on nuclear disarmament | Fifteenth preambular paragraph; operative paragraphs 4, 6, and 13 |
| 78/28 | Treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices | Four, five and thirteenth preambular paragraphs; operative paragraphs 1 and 4 |
| 78/31 | Youth, disarmament and non-proliferation | Operative paragraph 4 |
| 78/33 | Follow-up to the advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice on the legality of the threat or use of nuclear weapons | Fourteenth and fifteenth preambular paragraphs |
| 78/36 | Regional disarmament | Operative paragraph 1 |
| 78/37 | Conventional arms control at the regional and subregional levels | Operative paragraph 2 |
| 78/40 | Steps to building a common roadmap towards a world without nuclear weapons | Operative paragraph 5 |
| 78/41 | Ethical imperatives for a nuclear-weapon-free world | Ninth preambular paragraph |
| 78/42 | Towards a nuclear-weapon-free world: accelerating the implementation of nuclear disarmament commitments | Twenty-seventh preambular paragraph |
| 78/49 | Prohibition of the dumping of radioactive wastes | Operative paragraphs 1, 5 and 6 |
| 78/51 | Radiological weapons | Second, third preambular paragraphs; operative paragraph 4 |
| 78/52 | Transparency and confidence-building measures in outer space activities | Sixth and eighth preambular paragraphs; operative paragraph 3 |
| 78/53 | Nuclear disarmament | Sixteenth, eighteenth, nineteenth, twentieth, and twenty-first preambular paragraphs; operative paragraphs 16, 17, and 20 |
| 78/55 | Convention on the Prohibition of the Use of Nuclear Weapons | Ninth preambular paragraph; operative paragraphs 1 and 2 |
| 78/58 | United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Asia and the Pacific | Third preambular paragraph |

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| 78/61 | Report of the Conference on Disarmament | First, third, fourth, sixth, seventh, eighth, ninth, eleventh and thirteenth preambular paragraphs; operative, paragraphs 1-10 |
| 78/62 | Report of the Disarmament Commission | Operative paragraphs 4 and 9 |
| 78/238 | Further practical measures for the prevention of an arms race in outer space | Ninth, eleventh, and twelfth preambular paragraphs; operative paragraphs 4, 5, 10 and 11 |

26 The following document was submitted to the Conference:

(a) CD/2403.

A. Cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament

27. During the general debate of the Conference, delegations reaffirmed or further elaborated their respective positions on this agenda item. These positions are duly recorded in the plenary records of the session.

28. On the proposal of the third President of the Conference, Mr. Ali Bahreini, Ambassador of Iran (Islamic Republic of), thematic discussions on agenda 1 entitled “Cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament” were held on 21 March.

29. On the proposal of the fourth President of the Conference, thematic discussions on agenda 1 entitled “Cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament” were held on 28 May.

30. The documents submitted to the Conference under this agenda item are duly reflected in appendix II.

B. Prevention of nuclear war, including all related matters

31. During the general debate of the Conference, delegations reaffirmed or further elaborated their respective positions on this agenda item. These positions are duly recorded in the plenary records of the session.

32. On the proposal of the second President of the Conference Mr. Febrian A. Ruddyard, Ambassador of Indonesia, thematic discussions on agenda item 2 entitled “Prevention of nuclear war, including all related matters” were held on 12 March.

33. The documents submitted to the Conference under this agenda item are duly reflected in appendix II.

C. Prevention of an arms race in outer space

34. During the general debate of the Conference, delegations reaffirmed or further elaborated their respective positions on this agenda item. These positions are duly recorded in the plenary records of the session.

35. On the proposal of the third President of the Conference, thematic discussions on agenda item 3 entitled “Prevention of an arms race in outer space” were held on 28 March.

36. The documents submitted to the Conference under this agenda item are duly reflected in appendix II.

D. Effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons

37. During the general debate of the Conference, delegations reaffirmed or further elaborated their respective positions on this agenda item. These positions are duly recorded in the plenary records of the session.

38. On the proposal of the second President of the Conference, thematic discussions on agenda item 4 entitled “Effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons” were held on 14 March.

39. The documents submitted to the Conference under this agenda item are duly reflected in appendix II.

E. New types of weapons of mass destruction and new systems of such weapons; radiological weapons

40. During the general debate of the Conference, delegations reaffirmed or further elaborated their respective positions on this agenda item. These positions are duly recorded in the plenary records of the session.

F. Comprehensive programme of disarmament

41. During the general debate of the Conference, delegations reaffirmed or further elaborated their respective positions on this agenda item. These positions are duly recorded in the plenary records of the session.

42. On the proposal of the third President of the Conference, thematic discussions on agenda item 6 entitled “Comprehensive programme of disarmament” were held on 14 May.

43. On the proposal of the fourth President of the Conference, thematic discussions on agenda item 6 entitled “Comprehensive programme of disarmament” were held on 6 June and on 11 June.

44. The documents submitted to the Conference under this agenda item are duly reflected in appendix II.

G. Transparency in armaments

45. During the general debate of the Conference, delegations reaffirmed or further elaborated their respective positions on this agenda item. These positions are duly recorded in the plenary records of the session.

46. On the proposal of the fourth President of the Conference, thematic discussions on agenda item 7 entitled “Transparency in armaments” were held on 30 May.

H. Consideration of other areas dealing with the cessation of the arms race and disarmament and other relevant measures

47. During the general debate, delegations reaffirmed or further elaborated their respective positions. These positions are duly recorded in the plenary records of the session.

I. Work of the subsidiary bodies

48. The subsidiary bodies established pursuant to decisions CD/2390 and CD/2391 met on 25 June, 28 June, 6 August, 8 August and 13 August. Each subsidiary body held a general exchange of views under the relevant agenda items of the Conference, including on specific topics to be considered in future meetings of the subsidiary body.

49. Each subsidiary body recommended in its respective report to the Conference, for its decision on the work of the Conference in 2025 in accordance with the rules of procedure, that, taking into account decision CD/2390, the subsidiary bodies resume their work in 2025 with their present mandates, as specified in the decision CD/2390, and that the Coordinators, appointed by the Conference pursuant to decision CD/2391, be reappointed as Coordinators in 2025. Each subsidiary body also encouraged, in its respective report, its Coordinator, under the authority of the President and in order to ensure an inclusive, balanced and fair approach, to continue to conduct informal consultations of the organizational and substantive aspects of the possible future work of the subsidiary bodies, consistent with the rules of procedure.

50. At the 1731st plenary meeting on 15 August, the Conference adopted the following reports of the subsidiary bodies on their work during the 2024 session of the Conference on Disarmament, submitted to the Conference by the fifth President of the Conference, Mr. Noel White, Ambassador of Ireland, CD/2392, CD/2393, CD/2394, CD/2395, CD/2396, which are an integral part of this report.

J. Consideration and adoption of the annual report of the Conference and any other report as appropriate to the General Assembly of the United Nations

51. Being aware of the need for progress in fulfilling the mandate of the Conference, and building on the decisions on the work of the Conference on Disarmament for 2024 and with a view to the early commencement of substantive work during its 2025 session, the Conference requested the current President and the incoming President to conduct consultations during the intersessional period and, if possible, make recommendations taking into account all relevant proposals, past, present and future, including those submitted as documents of the Conference on Disarmament, views presented and discussions held, and to endeavour to keep the membership of the Conference informed, as appropriate, of their consultations.

52. The Member States that are next in order of rotation to assume the Presidencies in 2025 in accordance with rule 9 of the Rules of Procedure are indicated in Appendix III to this report.

53. The Conference decided that the dates for its 2025 session would be:

First part: 20 January – 28 March

Second part: 12 May – 27 June

Third part: 28 July – 12 September

54. The annual report to the seventy-ninth session of the General Assembly of the United Nations, as adopted by the Conference on 12 September 2024, is transmitted by the President on behalf of the Conference on Disarmament.

(Signed) Ambassador Daniel **MERON**
Israel
President of the Conference

Appendix I

Presidents of the 2024 session

India

Indonesia

Iran (Islamic Republic of)

Iraq

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Appendix II

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| <u>CD/INF.86</u> | Information for Member and Non-member States |
| <u>CD/INF.87</u> <u>CD/INF.87/Rev.1</u> | Provisional list of participants |
| <u>CD/WP.652</u> | Draft agenda for the 2024 session |
| <u>CD/WP.653</u> <u>CD/WP.653/Add.1</u> <u>CD/WP.653/Add.2</u> <u>CD/WP.653/Add.3</u> <u>CD/WP.653/Add.4</u> | Note by the President |
| <u>CD/WP.654</u> | Informal thematic discussions held during the 2024 high-level segment of the Conference on Disarmament: Summary by the President |
| <u>CD/WP.655</u> | Working Paper: On the Dual-Track Approach to the Work of the Conference on Disarmament |
| <u>CD/WP.656</u> | Compilation of Proposals on the Draft Decision on the Work of the Conference on Disarmament for 2024 |
| <u>CD/WP.657</u> | Draft decision on the work of the Conference on Disarmament for 2024 |
| <u>CD/WP.658</u> | Draft decision on the work of the Conference on Disarmament for 2024 |
| <u>CD/WP.659</u> <u>CD/WP.659/Rev.1</u> | Draft report: Subsidiary Body 1: Cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament |
| <u>CD/WP.660</u> | Draft report: Subsidiary Body 3: Prevention of an arms race in outer space |
| <u>CD/WP.661</u> | Draft report: Subsidiary Body 2: Prevention of nuclear war, including all related matters |
| <u>CD/WP.662</u> | Draft report: Subsidiary Body 4: Effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons |
| <u>CD/WP.663</u> | Draft report: Subsidiary Body 5: New types of weapons of mass destruction and new systems of such weapons; radiological weapons – Comprehensive programme of disarmament – Transparency in armaments |
| <u>CD/WP.664</u> <u>CD/WP.664/Rev.1</u> <u>CD/WP.664/Rev.2</u> | Draft report of the Conference on Disarmament to the General Assembly of the United Nations |
| <u>CD/2382</u> | Agenda for the 2024 session |

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| <u>CD/2383</u> | Nota verbal de fecha 20 de septiembre de 2023 presentada por la Misión Permanente de Ecuador ante la Organización de las Naciones Unidas y otros Organismos Internacionales en Ginebra tiene el honor de adjuntar la “Declaración de los Estados Miembros de OPANAL en el Día Internacional para la Eliminación Total de las Armas Nucleares - 26 de septiembre de 2023” |
| <u>CD/2384</u> | Note Verbale dated 9 February 2024 from the Delegation of the United States of America to the Conference on Disarmament sharing views about the ongoing work in the Conference on Disarmament |
| <u>CD/2385</u> | Note Verbale dated 7 February 2024 from the Permanent Mission of Canada to the United Nations, the World Trade Organization and to the Conference on Disarmament at Geneva transmitting the letter dated 7 February 2024 addressed to the Secretary-General of the Conference on Disarmament regarding the admission of observers to the Conference on Disarmament |
| <u>CD/2386</u> | Note Verbale dated 29 February 2024 from the New Zealand Permanent Mission to the United Nations Office and other International Organisations in Geneva transmitting the joint statement on behalf of the New Agenda Coalition |
| <u>CD/2387</u> | Note Verbale dated 22 April 2024 from the Permanent Mission of the Arab Republic of Egypt to the United Nations Office, the World Trade Organization, and other International Organizations in Geneva transmitting the statement by the Chair of the Group of Governmental Experts on further practical measures for the Prevention of an Arms Race in Outer Space, as an official document of the Conference on Disarmament |
| <u>CD/2388</u> | Note Verbale dated 29 April 2024 from the Permanent Mission of the People’s Democratic Republic of Algeria to the United Nations office and other International Organizations in Switzerland transmitting the joint statement delivered by the Algerian delegation, on behalf of the G-21, during the thematic debate held on March 28, 2024, on “the Prevention of an Arms Race in Outer Space” |
| <u>CD/2389</u> | Note Verbale dated 26 April 2024 from the Permanent Mission of the People’s Democratic Republic of Algeria to the United Nations office and other International Organizations in Switzerland transmitting the joint statement of the G-21 regarding the 2013 high-level meeting of the UN General Assembly on Nuclear Disarmament, delivered by Mr. Rachid Bladehane, Permanent Representative of Algeria, during the thematic debate, held on March 26, 2024, relating to the Item I of the CD’s Agenda, “the cessation of an arms race and nuclear disarmament” |

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| <u>CD/2390</u> | Decision for the work of the Conference on Disarmament for 2024 |
| <u>CD/2391</u> | Decision on the Work of the Conference on Disarmament for 2024 |
| <u>CD/2392</u> | Subsidiary Body 1: Cessation of the nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament: Report |
| <u>CD/2393</u> | Subsidiary Body 3: Prevention of an arms race in outer space: Report |
| <u>CD/2394</u> | Subsidiary Body 2: Prevention of nuclear war, including all related matters: Report |
| <u>CD/2395</u> | Subsidiary Body 4: Effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons: Report |
| <u>CD/2396</u> | Subsidiary Body 5: New types of weapons of mass destruction and new systems of such weapons; radiological weapons – Comprehensive programme of disarmament – Transparency in armaments: Report |
| <u>CD/2397</u> | Note Verbale dated 6 August 2024 from the Permanent Mission of Hungary to the United Nations Office, the World Trade Organization and other International Organizations in Geneva sharing the Statement of the European Union delivered by Hungary during the meeting of the Conference on Disarmament, Subsidiary Body 2 on 6 August 2024 |
| <u>CD/2398</u> | Note Verbale dated 15 August 2024 from the Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva transmitting the Working Paper on the Islamic Republic of Iran's Position on the Presidency of the Israeli Regime over the Conference on Disarmament" |
| <u>CD/2399</u> | Note Verbale dated 16 August 2024 from the Permanent Mission of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva transmitting the Working Paper on the Syrian Arab Republic's Position on the Presidency of the "Israeli occupying power" over the Conference on Disarmament |
| <u>CD/2400</u> | Note Verbale dated 16 August 2024 from the Permanent Mission of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva transmitting the Working Paper on the Arab Group's Position on the Presidency of "Israeli occupying power" over the Conference on Disarmament |
| <u>CD/2401</u> | Note Verbale dated 16 August 2024 from the Permanent Mission of the People's Republic of Bangladesh to the United Nations Office and Other International Organisations in Geneva transmitting the attached G-21 Working Paper on Prevention of an Arms Race in Outer Space |

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| <u>CD/2402</u> | Note Verbale dated 16 August 2024 from the Permanent Mission of the People's Republic of Bangladesh to the United Nations Office and Other International Organisations in Geneva transmitting the attached G-21 Working Paper on Nuclear Disarmament |
| <u>CD/2403</u> | Note Verbale dated 16 August 2024 from the Permanent Mission of the People's Republic of Bangladesh to the United Nations Office and Other International Organisations in Geneva transmitting the attached G-21 Working Paper entitled 'General Statement' |
| <u>CD/2404</u> | Note Verbale dated 16 August 2024 from the Permanent Mission of the People's Republic of Bangladesh to the United Nations Office and Other International Organisations in Geneva transmitting the attached G-21 Working Paper on Negative Security Assurances |
| <u>CD/2405</u> | Note Verbale dated 3 September 2024 from the Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the United Nations Office and Other International Organizations in Geneva transmitting the statement by Permanent Representative of Ukraine H.E. Ambassador Yevheniia Filipenko at the Conference on Disarmament thematic debates on the establishment of Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zones, which was held on 31 January 2024 |
| <u>CD/2406</u> | Note Verbale dated 3 September 2024 from the Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the United Nations Office and Other International Organizations in Geneva transmitting the Statement by H.E. Ambassador Yevheniia Filipenko at the thematic debates on Agenda Item 2 (Prevention of nuclear war, including all related matters) of the Conference on Disarmament, which was held on 12 March 2024 |
| <u>CD/2407</u> | Note Verbale dated 3 September 2024 from the Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the United Nations Office and Other International Organizations in Geneva transmitting the Statement by the Delegation of Ukraine regarding Iran's CD presidency |
| <u>CD/2408</u> | Note Verbale dated 3 September 2024 from the Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the United Nations Office and Other International Organizations in Geneva transmitting the Statement delivered at the thematic debates on Agenda Item 1 (Cessation of the arms race and nuclear disarmament), which was held on 21 March 2024 |
| <u>CD/2409</u> | Note Verbale dated 4 September 2024 from the Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the United Nations Office and Other International Organizations in Geneva transmitting the Statement by H.E. Ambassador Yevheniia Filipenko at the Conference on Disarmament on the topic: "Strengthening international security and re-establishing a reliable security framework for all nations worldwide", delivered on 24 June 2024 |

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| <u>CD/2410</u> | Note Verbale dated 4 September 2024 from the Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the United Nations Office and Other International Organizations in Geneva transmitting the Statement by the Delegation of Ukraine at the thematic debate regarding the challenges of new and emerging threats: assessing the impact of emerging technologies on international security and arms control under Agenda Item 6 (Comprehensive program of disarmament) |
| <u>CD/2411</u> | Note Verbale dated 3 September 2024 from the Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the United Nations Office and Other International Organizations in Geneva transmitting the Joint Statement concerning the 10-year mark of the start of Russia's war against Ukraine and two years since Russia began its full-scale invasion of Ukraine |
| <u>CD/2412</u> | Note Verbale dated 3 September 2024 from The Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the United Nations Office and Other International Organizations in Geneva transmitting the Statement by H.E. Ambassador Yevheniia Filipenko at the first plenary meeting of the 2024 session of the Conference on Disarmament |
| <u>CD/2413</u> | Note Verbal datée du 6 septembre 2024 de la Mission Permanente de la République du Cameroun auprès de l'Office des Nations Unies, de l'Organisation Mondiale du Commerce et des autres Organisations Internationales à Genève transmettant La déclaration sur "le renforcement des capacités en matière de désarmement, par l'éducation et la recherche", prononcée par le Brésil en séance plénière de la CD en date du 6 Juin 2024 |
| <u>CD/2414</u> | Note Verbal datée du 6 septembre 2024 de la Mission Permanente de la République du Cameroun auprès de l'Office des Nations Unies, de l'Organisation Mondiale du Commerce et des autres Organisations Internationales à Genève transmettant la déclaration du G-21 sur "la participation des Etats non-membres", prononcée par le Viet-Nam au nom du G-21 en séance plénière de la CD du 30 Janvier 2024 |
| <u>CD/2415</u> | Note Verbale dated 6 September 2024 from the Permanent Mission of Israel to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva transmitting Israel's statements delivered during the presidency of the Islamic Republic of Iran |
| <u>CD/2416</u> | Note Verbale dated 10 September 2024 from the Permanent Mission of Belgium to the United Nations Office, the Conference on Disarmament and Other International Organisations in Geneva, transmitting the Opening statement on behalf of the European Union as delivered in the Conference on Disarmament on 23 January 2024 |

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| <u>CD/2417</u> | Note Verbale dated 10 September 2024 from the Permanent Mission of Belgium to the United Nations Office, the Conference on Disarmament and Other International Organisations in Geneva, transmitting the statement on behalf of the European Union as delivered by the EU Special Envoy, Ambassador Marjolijn van Deelen, at the High-Level Segment of the Conference on Disarmament on 26 February 2024 |
| <u>CD/2418</u> | Note Verbale dated 10 September 2024 from the Permanent Mission of Belgium to the United Nations Office, the Conference on Disarmament and Other International Organisations in Geneva, transmitting the statement on behalf of the European Union on the occasion of International Women's Day as delivered in the Conference on Disarmament on 8 March 2024 |
| <u>CD/2419</u> | Note Verbale dated 10 September 2024 from the Permanent Mission of Belgium to the United Nations Office, the Conference on Disarmament and Other International Organisations in Geneva, transmitting the statement on behalf of the European Union on Disarmament and Development related to item 6 of the CD agenda as delivered in the Conference on Disarmament on 14 May 2024 |
| <u>CD/2420</u> | Note Verbale dated 10 September 2024 from the Permanent Mission of Belgium to the United Nations Office, the Conference on Disarmament and Other International Organisations in Geneva, transmitting the statement on behalf of the European Union on Disarmament and Education related to item 6 of the CD agenda as delivered in the Conference on Disarmament on 6 June 2024 |
| <u>CD/2421</u> | Note Verbale dated 10 September 2024 from the Permanent Mission of Belgium to the United Nations Office, the Conference on Disarmament and Other International Organisations in Geneva, transmitting the statement on behalf of the European Union on Fissile Material Cut-Off Treaty related to item 2 of the CD agenda as delivered in the Conference on Disarmament on 12 March 2024 |
| <u>CD/2422</u> | Note Verbale dated 10 September 2024 from the Permanent Mission of Belgium to the United Nations Office, the Conference on Disarmament and Other International Organisations in Geneva, transmitting the statement on behalf of the European Union on Negative Security Assurances related to item 4 of the CD agenda as delivered in the Conference on Disarmament on 14 March 2024 |

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| <u>CD/2423</u> | Note Verbale dated 10 September 2024 from the Permanent Mission of Belgium to the United Nations Office, the Conference on Disarmament and Other International Organisations in Geneva, transmitting the statement on behalf of the European Union on Prevention of an Arms Race in Outer Space related to item 3 of the CD agenda as delivered in the Conference on Disarmament on 28 March 2024 |
| <u>CD/2424</u> | Note Verbale dated 10 September 2024 from the Permanent Mission of Belgium to the United Nations Office, the Conference on Disarmament and Other International Organisations in Geneva, transmitting the statement on behalf of the European Union on zones free of nuclear weapons and other weapons of mass destruction related to item 2 of the CD agenda as delivered in the Conference on Disarmament on 23 May 2024 |
| <u>CD/2425</u> | Note Verbale dated 11 September 2024 from the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva, transmitting the statement of Ambassador Gennady Gatilov at the Conference on Disarmament High-Level Segment, held on March 5, 2024 |
| <u>CD/2426</u> | Note Verbale dated 11 September 2024 from the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva, transmitting the statement of Ambassador Gennady Gatilov at the plenary meeting of the Conference on Disarmament, held on 14 May 2024 |
| <u>CD/2427</u> | Note Verbale dated 11 September 2024 from the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva, transmitting the statement of Ambassador Gennady Gatilov at the plenary meeting of the Conference on Disarmament, held on 19 June 2024 |
| <u>CD/2428</u> | Note Verbale dated 11 September 2024 from the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva, transmitting the statement delivered by the Russian delegation at the plenary thematic debate, held on 28 May 2024 on the CD Agenda item 1 “Cessation of nuclear arms race and nuclear disarmament” |
| <u>CD/2429</u> | Note Verbale dated 11 September 2024 from the Permanent Representation of the Kingdom of the Netherlands to the Conference on Disarmament in Geneva, transmitting the statement of the Kingdom of the Netherlands at the High Level Segment delivered by H.E. Hanke Bruins Slot, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of the Netherlands on 27 February 2024 |

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| <u>CD/2430</u> | Report of the Conference on Disarmament to the General Assembly of the United Nations |

Appendix III

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