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Adoption of the Programme of Work

Provisional annotated programme of work

Submitted by the President of the Eleventh Meeting of States Parties

Please note that the Eleventh Meeting of States Parties will follow a rolling agenda, therefore all times are indicative.

Monday, 11 September 2023

10:00 - 13:00

Opening of the Eleventh Meeting of States Parties (*item 1 of the provisional agenda*)

1. Opening of the session by the President of the Eleventh Meeting of States Parties (item 1 on the provisional Agenda).
2. Opening remarks by the President of the Eleventh Meeting of States Parties, Ambassador Abdul-Karim Hashim Mostafa of the Republic of Iraq, outlining expectations for the Meeting and giving an overview of the implementation work done over the previous months since the Tenth Meeting of States Parties.
3. The President will first invite a representative of the host country, Switzerland, to address the meeting. Thereafter, in the spirit of partnership that has been the hallmark of the Meetings of States Parties to the Convention on Cluster Munitions, the President will invite representatives of the United Nations, the International Committee of the Red Cross and the Cluster Munition Coalition to address the plenary.

Procedural Matters (*items 2-5 and 7 of the provisional agenda*)

4. Adoption of the agenda (CCM/MSP/2023/1), annotated programme of work (CCM/MSP/2023/3), and confirmation of the rules of procedure (item 3 of the provisional agenda).
5. Confirmation of the Secretary-General of the Meeting and the election of the vice-presidents (items 4 and 5 of the provisional agenda).



Organization of Work: Introduction by the President of documents and key draft decisions *(item 6 of the provisional agenda)*

6. The President will briefly present the following documents to be considered and decided upon by the Meeting:

- (a) CCM 11MSP Progress Report monitoring progress on the implementation of the Lausanne Action Plan during the period 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023, submitted by the Eleventh Meeting of States Parties Presidency of the Republic of Iraq (CCM/MSP/2023/8).
- (b) Analysis of the Article 3 extension request submitted by South Africa (CCM/MSP/2023/10)
- (c) Analysis of the Article 4 extension request submitted by Iraq (CCM/MSP/2023/4).
- (d) Analysis of the Article 4 extension request submitted by Mauritania (CCM/MSP/2023/6).
- (e) Paper on the adaptation of the current article 7 reporting template – submitted by the President (CCCM/MSP/2023/7).

General exchange of views *(item 8 of the provisional agenda)*

7. During this session States Parties, Signatories, States not Party, international organizations and civil society organizations are invited to make statements of a general nature. Areas that delegations may wish to cover include political commitments, universalization, general points on implementation of the Convention, expectations for the Eleventh Meeting of States Parties, the preventive role of the Convention in the protection of civilians and its importance for the strengthening of international humanitarian law.

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General exchange of views *(continued)*

8. Delegations will continue to make general statements and Agenda Item 8 will end after the final speaker. If there is adequate time, the President will continue to Agenda Item 9.

Tuesday, 12 September 2023

10:00 - 13:00

Presentation of deadline extension requests under Articles 3 and 4 of the Convention and of the analysis of those requests *(item 9 of the provisional agenda)*

9. The President will make a brief introduction and then call on States Parties with Article 3 or Article 4 obligations by their Convention deadlines to present their extension requests. Thereafter, the Analysis Groups will present their analysis of each individual request submitted under Article 3 and Article 4 of the Convention. States Parties that have submitted extension requests will be invited to provide clarifications in response to the evaluation of the Analysis Groups (item 9 of the Provisional agenda).

Review of the status and operation of the Convention and other matters important for achieving the aims of the Convention

Universalization *(item 10(a) of the provisional agenda)*

10. The President will make a brief introduction and then invite the Coordinators on Universalization, Malawi and Spain, to report on the status of progress made and challenges in universalization of the Convention.
11. States Parties are encouraged to provide an update on the activities that they have undertaken to promote universal adherence to the Convention, for example, bilateral meetings, workshops, demarches, letters, advocacy missions and diplomatic notes.
12. Signatory States are invited to provide an update on their domestic process of ratification and deposit of instruments of ratification.
13. States not Party are also invited to express their support for the Convention and provide updates on domestic processes in advance of accession.
14. The United Nations, the International Committee of the Red Cross, the Cluster Munition Coalition and other organizations working on the universalization of the Convention are invited to present their activities and aims for universalization.
15. Questions that delegations may wish to consider in preparation for the Eleventh Meeting of States Parties have been identified in the CCM 11MSP Progress Report.

Storage and Stockpile Destruction *(item 10(b) of the provisional agenda)*

16. The President will make a brief introduction and then invite the Coordinators on Storage and Stockpile Destruction, Bulgaria and the Netherlands, to report on the status of, progress made and the challenges in the implementation of Article 3 of the Convention.
17. States Parties with obligations under Article 3 are invited to provide progress in, share plans for and challenges to the safe and rapid destruction of cluster munitions.
18. Signatory States and States not Party with stockpile of cluster munitions are invited to share relevant information regarding the number and types of stockpiles and of plans for, or obstacles to their destruction.
19. States are invited to provide their views on storage, stockpile destruction and retention. States that have chosen to retain cluster munitions under Article 3, paragraphs 6 and 7, are encouraged to provide updates on their numbers and types, how they have been used in the period under review, plans on their use and plans for their eventual destruction.
20. Other delegations are invited to share their views on the implementation of Article 3 paragraphs 6 to 8.
21. The United Nations, the International Committee of the Red Cross, the Cluster Munition Coalition and other organizations are invited to present their views on the implementation of Article 3 as well as their recommendations on how to maintain the momentum in stockpile destruction.
22. Questions that delegations may wish to consider in preparation for the Eleventh Meeting of States Parties have been identified in the CCM 11MSP Progress Report.

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Review of the status and operation of the Convention and other matters important for achieving the aims of the Convention (*continued*)

Clearance and destruction of cluster munitions remnants and risk education (*item 10(c) of the provisional agenda*)

23. The President will make a brief introduction and then invite the Coordinators on clearance and destruction of cluster munitions remnants and risk education, Guyana and Norway, to report on the status of, progress made and the challenges in the implementation of Article 4 of the Convention.

24. States Parties with obligations under Article 4 are encouraged to provide an update on their plans, priorities and progress towards clearance and risk education. This could include efforts to identify as precisely as possible the location and size of all areas contaminated by cluster munition remnants as well as efforts or plans to clear or otherwise release such areas as soon as possible.

25. Signatory States and States not Party contaminated by cluster munition remnants are invited to share information on the magnitude and structure of the contamination, their plans for addressing the contamination and for ensuring the safety of exposed populations.

26. States are invited to share their views on progress in and obstacles to clearance efforts and in particular, are encouraged to share ideas and proposals on how to make survey and clearance efforts more effective and efficient.

27. The United Nations, the International Committee of the Red Cross, the Cluster Munition Coalition and other organizations are invited to present their views on the implementation of Article 4 as well as their recommendations on how such efforts can be sustainable, adequate and more effective and efficient.

28. Questions that delegations may wish to consider in preparation for the Eleventh Meeting of States Parties have been identified in the CCM 11MSP Progress Report.

Victim Assistance (*item 10(d) of the provisional agenda*)

29. The President will make a brief introduction and then invite the Coordinators on Victims Assistance, Austria and Chile, to report on the status of, progress made and the challenges in the implementation of Article 5 of the Convention.

30. States Parties with obligations under Article 5 are encouraged to provide an update on their efforts to provide age-and-gender-sensitive assistance, including medical care, rehabilitation and psychological support, as well as on efforts to ensure social and economic inclusion of victims. States Parties are encouraged to particularly include their views on how victim assistance could be better integrated into existing national health and social care systems.

31. Signatory States and States not Party are invited to share their views on the implementation of Article 5.

32. The United Nations, the International Committee of the Red Cross, the Cluster Munition Coalition and other organizations are invited to present their views on the implementation of Article 4 as well as their recommendations on how such efforts can be sustainable, adequate and more effective and efficient.

33. Questions that delegations may wish to consider in preparation for the Eleventh Meeting of States Parties have been identified in the CCM 11MSP Progress Report.

Wednesday, 13 September 2023

10:00 – 13:00

Review of the status and operation of the Convention and other matters important for achieving the aims of the Convention *(continued)*

International Cooperation and Assistance *(item 10(e) of the provisional agenda)*

34. The President will invite the Coordinators on International Cooperation and Assistance, Germany and Lebanon, to report on the status of, progress thus far and challenges in the implementation of Article 6 of the Convention.

35. States Parties seeking assistance to implement their obligations under the Convention are encouraged to provide an update of their plans and needs as well as on the measures they are taking to facilitate the provision of assistance by other States and to promote cooperation between States and other actors.

36. States in a position to provide assistance are encouraged to respond to the needs and gaps identified by affected States under the sub-items on stockpile destruction and retention, clearance and risk reduction, and victim assistance. Delegations are encouraged to provide information on how they envisage providing assistance.

37. States are invited to present their views on cooperation and assistance.

38. The United Nations, the International Committee of the Red Cross, the Cluster Munition Coalition and other organizations are invited to describe what they are doing to facilitate international cooperation and assistance, assistance they have been or are able to provide, their views on the implementation of Article 6 as well as their recommendations on how such efforts can be sustainable, adequate and more effective and efficient.

39. Questions that delegations may wish to consider in preparation for the Eleventh Meeting of States Parties have been identified in the CCM 11MSP Progress Report.

Transparency Measures *(item 10(f) of the provisional agenda)*

40. The President will make a brief introduction and then invite the Coordinator on Transparency Measures, The Gambia, to report on the status of, progress made thus far and challenges in the implementation of Article 7 of the Convention.

41. Under this sub-item the Coordinator will also provide an update on the draft adapted Article 7 reporting template.

42. The President will invite all delegations to exchange views on the adaptation of the reporting forms in line with Lausanne Action Plan (LAP) Action 45 and on the importance of transparency reporting.

43. States may also wish to present transparency or reporting measures that they have already undertaken, or provide information on any difficulties they may be encountering with respect to transparency reporting.

44. The United Nations, the International Committee of the Red Cross, the Cluster Munition Coalition and other organizations are invited to present their views on the implementation of Article 7.

45. Questions that delegations may wish to consider in preparation for the Eleventh Meeting of States Parties have been identified in the 11MSP Progress Report.

Compliance (item 10 (g) of the provisional agenda)

46. The Convention's Article 8 addresses facilitation and clarification of compliance. If any State Party has a concern regarding compliance with the Convention by another State Party, that State Party may submit a "Request for Clarification" to the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

47. States are invited to share their views on interpretation of provisions of the Convention.

48. Article 10 of the Convention deals with settlement of disputes. As it is not envisioned that there will be disputes among States Parties at the Eleventh Meeting of States Parties, discussions under this sub-item are expected to be brief.

National Implementation Measures (item 10(h) of the provisional agenda)

49. The President will give a brief introduction and then invite the Coordinator on National Implementation Measures, New Zealand, to report on the status of, progress made and the challenges in the implementation of Article 9 of the Convention.

50. States Parties with obligations under Article 9 are encouraged to provide an update on specific implementation measures they have taken or plan to undertake under Article 9. In particular, States Parties are invited to share their experiences with national legislation concerning the Convention.

51. Signatory States and States not Party are invited to provide an update on the implementation of Article 9.

52. The United Nations, the International Committee of the Red Cross, the Cluster Munition Coalition and other organizations are invited to present their views on the implementation of Article 9.

53. Questions that delegations may wish to consider in preparation for the Eleventh Meeting of States Parties have been identified in the 11MSP Progress Report.

15:00 – 18:00

Review of the status and operation of the Convention and other matters important for achieving the aims of the Convention (continued)**Gender mainstreaming (item 10(i) of the provisional agenda)**

54. The President will invite the Coordinators on General Status and Operation of the Convention, Belgium and France, in their role as Gender Focal Points of the Convention to brief the Meeting on the progress made in the incorporation of gender and diverse needs in complying with the Convention, as articulated in the LAP.

Implementation Support (item 10(j) of the provisional agenda)

55. The President will invite the Director of the Implementation Support Unit to present the ISU 2022 annual report, and its budget and work plan for 2024.

Other matters important for achieving the aims of the Convention (item 10(k) of the provisional agenda)

56. This is an open agenda item that provides an opportunity for delegations to raise any other matters that do not fall under the agenda items. It would be preferable that any

delegation wishing to take the floor during this agenda item submits a request to the President in advance, asking for the floor and indicating the topic they wish to raise.

Thursday, 14 September 2023

10:00 – 13:00

Review of the status and operation of the Convention and other matters important for achieving the aims of the Convention (*continued*)

Update on the mandate of the 11MSP presidency as decided by the 10MSP (*item 10(l) of the provisional agenda*)

57. The President will provide an overview of the selection process in the recruitment of the second CCM ISU Director.

Consideration of Extension Requests submitted under Article 3 and Article 4 of the Convention (*item 10(m) of the provisional agenda*)

58. The President will invite delegations to present their views on the extension request submitted by South Africa under Article 3 of the Convention and consider the draft decision on the request (CCM/MSP/2023/10).

59. The President will invite delegations to present their views on the extension request submitted by Iraq under Article 4 of the Convention and consider the draft decision on the request (CCM/MSP/2023/4).

60. The President will invite delegations to present their views on the extension request submitted by Mauritania under Article 4 of the Convention and consider the draft decision on the request (CCM/MSP/2023/6).

Financial Status of the Convention (*item 11 of the provisional agenda*)

61. The United Nations Office in Geneva (UNOG) will provide an overview of the financial status of the Convention.

15:00 – 18:00

Preparations for the Eleventh Meeting of States Parties (*item 12 of the provisional agenda*)

62. Confirmation of H.E. Ms. Francisca E. Méndez Escobar, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Mexico as president of the Twelfth Meeting of States Parties (item 12 (a) of the provisional agenda).

63. Date, duration, venue, and estimated cost for the organization of the Twelfth Meeting of States Parties (item 12 (b) of the provisional agenda).

64. Designation of the President of the Thirteenth Meeting of States Parties scheduled for 2024 (TBC).

Other matters (*item 13 of the provisional agenda*)

65. This is an open agenda item that provides an opportunity for delegations to raise any other matters that do not fall under the agenda items. It would be preferable that any

delegation wishing to take the floor during this agenda item submit a request to the President in advance, asking for the floor and indicating the topic they wish to address.

Consideration and Adoption of the final document of the meeting (*item 14 of the provisional agenda*)

66. The President will make a final presentation of the outcome document of the Eleventh Meeting of States Parties. The President may call on the respective Coordinators to report on the results of any consultations undertaken. This is an opportunity for those delegations wishing to make any final remarks relating to the outcome documents to do so.

Closure of the Eleventh Meeting of States Parties (*item 15 of the provisional agenda*)

67. Under this item the President will invite Mexico, President of the Twelfth Meeting of States Parties to make remarks looking ahead to the work of States Parties and other delegations during the period leading up to the Twelfth Meeting of States Parties. The President will then deliver concluding remarks and close the meeting.
