

**Meeting of the High Contracting Parties to the  
Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on  
the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which  
May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious  
or to Have Indiscriminate Effects**

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**Organization of work, including that of any subsidiary body  
of the Meeting**

**Provisional annotated programme of work**

**Addendum**

**Submitted by the Chairperson-designate**

**Thursday, 12 November 2015**

**10.00–13.00**

- **Opening of the Meeting** (agenda item 1)
- **Confirmation of the nomination of the Chairperson of the Meeting** (agenda item 2)
- **Adoption of agenda** (agenda item 3)
- **Confirmation of the rules of procedure** (agenda item 4)
- **Confirmation of the nomination of the Secretary-General of the Meeting** (agenda item 5)
- **Organization of work, including that of any subsidiary body of the Meeting** (agenda item 6)
- **General exchange of views** (agenda item 7)
- **An accelerated plan of action on universalization of the Convention and its annexed Protocols** (agenda item 10)

At the Fourth Review Conference, High Contracting Parties committed to “An accelerated plan of action on universalization of the Convention and its annexed Protocols”. Specifically, there was a commitment “*For all High Contracting Parties to seize all relevant opportunities to promote the Convention and its Protocols, especially through their bilateral contacts*”. During the exchange of views,

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delegations are encouraged to speak on their efforts to promote universalization of the CCW and its Protocols.

- **Preparations for the Fifth Review Conference of the Convention** (agenda item 14)

(a) This year the CCW Meeting of High Contracting Parties must take significant decisions on the planning and organization of the Fifth Review Conference. The Chairperson-designate has proposed that in accordance with past practise and subject to the consent of all States Parties, the two Main Committees may address, without pre-judging the outcomes of each, the following issues:

(i) Main Committee I: Review the scope and operation of the Convention and its annexed Protocols; consideration of any proposal for the Convention and its existing Protocols; and preparation and consideration of the final documents.

(ii) Main Committee II: Consideration of proposals for additional protocols to the Convention and other proposals.

(b) The Chairperson-designate proposed that Main Committee II take up the issue of LAWS, subject to the consent to be reached at the Meeting of States Parties this November. Delegations are encouraged to share their views on this proposal and the substantive issues to be addressed at the Fifth Review Conference. Further, if there was agreement to address LAWS under Main Committee II, would the Review Conference be a further opportunity to address LAWS substantively and/or to focus on the way forward on this issue? Finally, what should be the duration of the Review Conference?

## **15.00–18.00**

- **Lethal autonomous weapons systems** (agenda item 8)

This discussion is an opportunity for delegations to share any developments concerning their own national positions and their views on the way forward on “Lethal Autonomous Weapons Systems (LAWS)” in 2016.

## **Friday, 13 November 2015**

### **10.00–13.00**

- **Other issues relevant to the Convention, including mines other than anti-personnel mines (MOTAPM)** (agenda item 9)

Under this item delegations are welcome to share their views concerning mines other than anti-personnel mines (MOTAPM) and any developments on this matter. Also, this is an opportunity for delegations to raise any other issues of relevance to the Convention.

- **Consideration of the report of the sponsorship programme** (agenda item 11)

The annual report of the CCW Sponsorship Programme will be considered by the Meeting. This will be presented by Ms. Marketa Homolkova, Coordinator of the Steering Committee for the Sponsorship Programme.

- **Status of implementation of and compliance with the Convention and its Protocols** (agenda item 12)

The Chair will provide an update on the progress made on CCW compliance reporting this year. Under this agenda item High Contracting Parties, observer States, organizations and NGOs are able to raise any issues concerning compliance.

- **Consideration of the report of the Implementation Support Unit** (agenda item 13)

The annual report of the CCW Implementation Support Unit will be considered by the Meeting. This will be presented by Mr. Bantan Nugroho, Head of the CCW Implementation Support Unit.

- **Preparations for the Fifth Review Conference of the Convention** (agenda item 14)

Under this agenda item, the Meeting must take decisions on the Presidency of the Fifth Review Conference, Chairs of Main Committees I and II, dates of the Review Conference, cost estimates and rules of procedure.

- **Other matters** (agenda item 16)

Under this item, delegations have the opportunity to raise any other matters. An outstanding issue from the past three years under the CCW Meeting of High Contracting Parties is the summary records. CCW High Contracting Parties agreed to carry out consultations on the need for summary records. These represent approximately 13 per cent of the overall budget. Delegations are encouraged to put forward their views on this matter.

## **15.00–18.00**

- **Consideration and adoption of the final report** (agenda item 15)
  - **Closing of the Meeting** (agenda item 17)
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