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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Estimated Costs
2016 Meeting of Experts on Lethal Autonomous Weapons
Systems 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
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Note by the Secretariat

- 1. The 2015 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, held in Geneva on 12 and 13 November 2015, decided to convene a five-day Meeting of Experts on Lethal Autonomous Weapons Systems of the High Contracting Parties to the Convention in 2016 on the dates to be decided.
- 2. This document is submitted pursuant to the above-mentioned decision of the States Parties and provides estimated costs in the amount of US\$143,500 for convening that meeting. A breakdown of these costs is provided in the attached table.
- 3. It should be noted that the costs are estimated on the basis of past experience and anticipated workload. The actual costs will be determined after the closure of the meeting and completion of related work, with all relevant expenditures recorded in the accounts. At that time, any adjustments in contributions by the participants sharing the costs will be determined accordingly.
- 4. With regard to the financial arrangements, the costs of the meeting will be met by the States parties to the Convention participating in the meeting in accordance with the United Nations scale of assessment, adjusted to take into account differences between the United Nations membership and the participation of States parties in the meeting. States which are not States parties to the Convention and which accept the invitation to take part in the meeting will share in the costs to the extent of their respective rates of assessment under the United Nations scale.
- 5. Subject to the States Parties' approval of the estimated costs and cost-sharing formula, assessment notices will be prepared based on the overall estimated costs and





applicable cost-sharing formula. Since the above-mentioned activities shall have no financial implication for the regular budget of the Organization, States Parties should proceed with the payment of their share of the estimated costs as soon as assessment notices have been received.

Title of session:	CCW - Meeting	CCW - Meeting of Experts on Lethal Autonomous Weapons Systems of the High Contracting Parties to the Convention on						
	Geneva, (5 days) April 2016							
	Meeting	Pre-session	In-session	Summary	Post-session	Support Services	Other	
Conference-servicing items	Servicing *	documentation *	documentation *	records *	documentation *	requirements *	requirements *	Total *
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Interpretation and								
meeting servicing	97,200							97,2
Translation of documentation		14,000			13,500			27,5
Support Services requirements ^{1/}						4,000		4,0
Other requirements ^{2/}							14,800	14,8
Total	97,200	14,000			13,500	4,000	14,800	143,5
* - at US\$ 1=CHF	0.962							
	A. Total conference-servicing requirements (inclusive of 13% programme support costs)							143,5
	В.	B. Non-conference-servicing requirements						
					Grand total (round			143,5

1/ Sound technician/recording (2 x 5 days)

^{2/}Rental of PC, printer and flash disk \$200; Secretary (2 x 7 days) \$5,800; 1 Document Distribution Officer (1 x 5 days) \$ 2,100; Dedicated assistance provided for accounting services and administration of financial resources \$6,700