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NOTE VERBALE DATED 15 SEPTEMBER 2006 FROM THE PERMANENT MISSION OF CHILE TO THE CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARIAT OF THE CONFERENCE IN WHICH THE GOVERNMENT EXPRESSES ITS GENERAL RESERVATION CONCERNING CERTAIN PARAGRAPHS OF THE FINAL DOCUMENT OF THE MINISTERIAL MEETING OF THE COORDINATING BUREAU OF THE MOVEMENT OF NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES, HELD IN PUTRAJAYA, MALAYSIA, ON 29 AND 30 MAY 2006¹

The Permanent Mission of Chile to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva presents its compliments to the office of the Secretary-General of the Conference on Disarmament and has the honour to inform it that the Government of Chile wishes to express its general reservation concerning those paragraphs of the Final Document of the Ministerial Meeting of the Coordinating Bureau of the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries, held in Putrajaya, Malaysia, on 29 and 30 May 2006, which run counter to its foreign policy and to Chile's international obligations, in particular those which are not consistent with instruments on human rights, humanitarian law, disarmament and non-proliferation and the principle of non-interference in the internal affairs of States, including the Statute and resolutions of IAEA. Consequently, those paragraphs will not be binding on Chile in any manner whatsoever.

In this regard, I would be grateful if this letter could be issued as an official document of the Conference on Disarmament and distributed to all the member States of the Conference and the non-member States participating in its work.

Geneva, 15 September 2006

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