
Conference on Disarmament

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**Letter dated 2 September 2011 from the Chargé d'affaires
a.i. of the United States of America addressed to the
Secretary-General of the Conference on Disarmament
transmitting a press release issued by the Department of
State of the United States of America regarding the P-5
consultations on a fissile material cut-off treaty (FMCT) held
in Geneva on 30 August 2011**

The U.S. delegation to the Conference on Disarmament has the honor of transmitting a press release from the U.S. Department of State regarding P-5 consultations on a FMCT held in Geneva on 30 August 2011. It regards further undertakings by France, the People's Republic of China, the Russian Federation, the United Kingdom and the United States of America as previously reported to the Conference on 19 July 2011 (CD/1914).

This is an issue of relevance to the Conference's agenda item 1 "Cessation of the nuclear arms and nuclear disarmament" as well as its agenda item 2 "Prevention of nuclear war, including all related matters." We ask that it be duly reflected in the report of the Conference on Disarmament to the UN General Assembly.

The U.S. delegation would be grateful if this press release could be issued as an official document of the Conference on Disarmament and distributed to all member States to the Conference, as well as to observer States participating in the Conference.

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Statement by Victoria Nuland, Spokesperson

P-5 Meeting in Geneva

Following up on their commitment made during the July Paris Conference, the P-5 met in Geneva on August 30 to take stock of developments regarding the Conference on Disarmament (CD). They discussed how to achieve at the earliest possible date in the CD their shared goal of a treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons purposes. They expressed their determination to this end. In that context, they look forward to meeting again, with other relevant parties, during the United Nations General Assembly First Committee.
