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The Chinese Delegation hereby requests that the following elements be incorporated in the report of Main Committee III and the Final Document of the Review Conference.

1. It is one of the important objectives of the NPT to promote peaceful uses of nuclear energy and the relevant international cooperation. Enhanced efforts in the peaceful uses of nuclear energy are conducive to a comprehensive realization of all the objectives of the NPT and will be helpful in promoting nuclear disarmament and preventing nuclear weapons proliferation.
2. The prevention of nuclear weapons proliferation and the peaceful uses of nuclear energy are mutually complementary and inseparably linked with each other. Non-proliferation efforts should not undermine the legitimate rights of countries, especially the developing countries, to the peaceful uses of nuclear energy.
3. A proper balance between the safeguards and the international cooperation in the peaceful uses of nuclear energy of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) will entail more chance for active support of and participation in the IAEA's activities.
4. Technical assistance to the developing countries on peaceful uses of nuclear energy should be further strengthened.
5. Adequate fund should be guaranteed for IAEA's promotional and technical cooperation activities. All states parties should contribute to the Technical Cooperation Fund in full and in time.
6. Governments should take primary responsibility of physical protection of nuclear material and facilities. International cooperation in this field should be strengthened and supported, including the efforts by IAEA. Resources required to achieve these goals should be allocated through means other than compromising the key activities of IAEA, particularly its promotional activities.