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CONVENTION ON PROHIBITIONS OR  
RESTRICTIONS ON THE USE OF CERTAIN  
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**SUMMARY RECORD OF THE 2nd MEETING**

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on Wednesday, 12 November 2008, at 3 p.m.

President: Mr. STREULI (Switzerland)

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The meeting was called to order at 3.15 p.m.

GENERAL EXCHANGE OF VIEWS (continued)

1. Mr. AL NUQARI (Observer for the Syrian Arab Republic), referring to the statement made by the representative of Human Rights Watch at the previous meeting, said that it hardly seemed appropriate to congratulate Israel on its moratorium on exports of anti-personnel mines, given the number of casualties caused by Israeli actions in the region.

REPORT(S) OF ANY SUBSIDIARY ORGAN(S)

2. The PRESIDENT noted that no subsidiary bodies had been established.

CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF THE FINAL DOCUMENT

(CCW/AP.II/CONF.10/CRP.1; non-paper containing amendments to the preceding document, circulated in the meeting room in English only)

3. The PRESIDENT drew attention to the draft final document of the Tenth Annual Conference of the High Contracting Parties to Amended Protocol II (CCW/AP.II/CONF.10/CRP.1) and to the non-paper containing amendments thereto, and invited the Conference to consider the draft final document paragraph by paragraph prior to adopting the text as a whole.

Paragraphs 1 to 3

4. Paragraphs 1 to 3 were adopted.

Paragraph 4

5. The PRESIDENT said that the first sentence should read: "The Conference held two plenary meetings." The third sentence should read: "It also confirmed the nominations of Ambassador Cheng Jingye of China, Mr. Valery Semin of the Russian Federation, and Mr. Johann Kellerman of South Africa as Vice-Presidents."

6. Paragraph 4, as amended, was adopted.

Paragraph 5

7. Paragraph 5 was adopted.

Paragraph 6

8. Mr. NJAKO (Cameroon) and Ms. BAQUERIZO GUZMÁN (Ecuador) said that the names of their countries should be added to the list of States parties that had notified the Depositary of their consent to be bound by amended Protocol II and had participated in the work of the Conference.

9. Paragraph 6, as amended, was adopted.

Paragraph 7

10. The PRESIDENT said that Georgia should be added to the list of States parties to the Convention that had participated as observers.

11. Paragraph 7, as amended, was adopted.

Paragraphs 8 to 14

12. Paragraphs 8 to 14 were adopted.

Paragraph 15

13. The PRESIDENT said that the paragraph should be amended to read: “At the same meeting the Conference received a message from the Secretary-General of the United Nations, which was delivered by Mr. Tim Caughley, Deputy Secretary-General of the Conference on Disarmament and Director of the United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs, Geneva Branch.”

14. Paragraph 15, as amended, was adopted.

Paragraph 16

15. The PRESIDENT drew attention to the list of States and representatives of organizations that had participated in the discussions under agenda items 8 to 10, which should be added to the paragraph.

16. Paragraph 16, as amended, was adopted.

Paragraph 17

17. Paragraph 17 was adopted.

Paragraph 18

18. Ms. SANCAR (Turkey) said that Turkey should be added to the list of States that had submitted national annual reports.

19. Paragraph 18, as amended, was adopted.

Paragraphs 19 and 20

20. Paragraphs 19 and 20 were adopted.

Paragraph 21

21. The PRESIDENT announced that, following consultations among the regional groups, it had been decided to nominate Ambassador Jānis Mažeiks of Latvia as President of the

Eleventh Annual Conference and representatives of China, Senegal and a member of the Group of Western European and Other States as Vice-Presidents. If he heard no objection, he would take it that the conference wished to accept those nominations and to amend the paragraph accordingly.

22. It was so decided.

23. Paragraph 21, as amended, was adopted.

#### Paragraph 22

24. Paragraph 22 was adopted.

#### Paragraph 22 bis

25. The PRESIDENT drew attention to new paragraph 22 bis concerning the establishment and mandate of the informal open-ended group of experts.

26. Paragraph 22 bis was adopted.

#### Paragraph 22 ter

27. The PRESIDENT drew attention to new paragraph 22 ter concerning the dates and estimated costs of the 2009 session of the group of experts. It had been agreed in informal consultations that the session would last two days. He thanked delegations, in particular the United States, for helping to reach consensus on the matter.

28. Mr. HODSON (United States of America) said that his preference would have been for a one-day session. He hoped, nevertheless, that the two-day session would be productive.

29. Paragraph 22 ter was adopted.

#### Paragraph 23

30. Paragraph 23 was adopted.

#### Annex I

31. Annex I was adopted.

#### Annex II

32. The PRESIDENT recalled that 3 December 2008 would mark the tenth anniversary of the entry into force of amended Protocol II and provided an opportunity to strengthen the effective implementation of the instrument. In that connection, he drew attention to the text of an appeal by the Tenth Annual Conference on the occasion of the tenth anniversary, to be inserted as annex II to the final document.

33. Annex II was adopted.

Annex III

34. Annex III was adopted.

Annex IV

35. The PRESIDENT drew attention to text setting out the estimated costs of the Eleventh Annual Conference, to be inserted as annex IV to the final document.

36. Annex IV, as amended, was adopted.

Annex IV bis

37. The PRESIDENT drew attention to new annex IV bis, which contained the estimated costs of the 2009 session of the group of experts of the High Contracting Parties to amended Protocol II.

38. Annex IV bis was adopted.

Annexes V and VI

39. Annexes V and VI were adopted.

40. The draft final document of the Tenth Annual Conference of the High Contracting Parties to Amended Protocol II as a whole, as amended, was adopted.

CLOSURE OF THE CONFERENCE

41. After thanking all the delegations, the secretariat and the conference services for their contributions, the PRESIDENT declared the Tenth Annual Conference of the High Contracting Parties to Amended Protocol II closed.

The meeting rose at 3.35 p.m.