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President: Mr. MOLANDER (Sweden)

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The meeting was called to order at 10.40 a.m.

REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE (CCW/CONF.I/CC/1)

1. Mr. GALICKI (Chairman of the Credentials Committee) said that the Credentials Committee had been established under rule 4 of the rules of procedure to examine the credentials of the representatives of the State Parties to the Convention participating in the Review Conference. Formal credentials in due form had been communicated to the Secretary-General of the Conference by 51 States. States not parties to the Convention, which had been invited as observers, were also listed in the report of the Credentials Committee, section II (b) of which should be amended to include the Republic of Azerbaijan. Paragraph 11 of the report contained a recommendation that the Review Conference should approve the report of the Credentials Committee.
2. The CHAIRMAN said he took it that the Review Conference adopted that recommendation.
3. It was so decided.

REPORT OF MAIN COMMITTEE I AND DRAFT FINAL DECLARATION (CCW/CONF.I/MC.I/1; CCW/CONF.I/WP.1/Rev.1)

4. Mr. TOTH (Chairman of Main Committee I) said that the Committee had been entrusted in Vienna with the mandate of reviewing the scope and operation of the Convention and its annexed Protocols, to consider any proposal relating to the Convention and to prepare and consider the final documents. Following a number of formal meetings and informal and private consultations, the preliminary draft Final Declaration had been adopted in October 1995, but it had taken some time for agreement to be reached on the text which was now before the Conference and which must be regarded as a fragile compromise. Main Committee I had completed its work on 1 May 1996, when it had approved the draft Final Declaration (CCW/CONF.I/WP.1/Rev.1) and its own report (CCW/CONF.I/MC.I/1). He recommended that the Conference should adopt the Final Declaration and take note of the report of Main Committee I.
5. The PRESIDENT said he took it that the Review Conference wished to adopt the Final Declaration and take note of the report of Main Committee I.
6. It was so decided.

REPORT OF THE DRAFTING COMMITTEE

7. Mr. MOHER (Chairman of the Drafting Committee), reporting orally on the work of the Drafting Committee, said that several delegations had considered that the wording of article 10, paragraph 3, of Protocol II could and should be clarified without altering its substance. It had, however, been concluded that not enough time was available for that purpose and it had been agreed that that paragraph should be included as it stood.

8. During the work on article 8, the delegation of Pakistan had said that it had difficulties with that provision, but he understood that those problems had now been solved.

9. He also pointed out that the wording of the title of the amended Protocol approved by the Drafting Committee on 1 May had been amended at the informal plenary meeting held on 2 May.

10. The PRESIDENT said he took it that the Conference wished to take note of the oral report of the Drafting Committee.

11. It was so decided.

The meeting rose at 11 a.m.