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PROPOSAL CONCERNING CIVIL CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE

Critical infrastructure, as well as key resources, could represent under attack a risk of considerable destruction, catastrophic health effects and cause mass casualties, comparable to those from the use of a weapon of mass destruction.

Taking the above fact into consideration, the Conference on Disarmament decides to establish under the appropriate item of its agenda an open-ended group of governmental experts which shall discuss and work out a compilation of best practices ensuring security and safety for civil critical infrastructure. This group will take into account and will not duplicate work on civil critical infrastructure in other multilateral foras.

This group of governmental experts will present a report to the Conference on Disarmament on the progress of its work before the conclusion of the 2006 session.

It is understood that the adoption of this decision is without prejudice to any other decisions aiming at the adoption of a comprehensive programme of work.

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