Conference on Disarmament

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Final record of the one thousand one hundred and sixty-first meeting Held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, on Wednesday, 16 September 2009, at 11.30 a.m.

President: Mr. Christian Strohal(Austria)

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The President: I declare open the 1161st plenary meeting of the Conference on Disarmament.

I would like to start by drawing your attention to document CD/1877, which is being distributed, and as mentioned already yesterday, this is a letter I wrote on behalf of the P-6 for the Secretary-General of the Conference, which contains in annex the reports of the Coordinators appointed for each of the agenda items. As you know, they were required to report in their personal capacities on discussions on the different agenda items to this year's Presidents, and following established practice, I undertook to correct these reports and also make them available in writing by the letter I have just mentioned. It is of course our understanding that these reports are without prejudice to any national position of any State or any possible decision the Conference might take. So this is simply to let you know that this document is now out.

I do not have a list of speakers, so I do not know if anyone would like to take the floor in the formal plenary before we move, as announced, into an informal session. If there is nobody who would like to take the floor at this stage, I will adjourn this meeting and we will convene in an informal plenary meeting with members and observers only to continue with the consideration of the draft report and, hopefully, its provisional adoption, as we have discussed on previous occasions.

The meeting rose at 11.35 a.m.