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## FINAL RECORD OF THE NINE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-FIRST PLENARY MEETING

Held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, on Thursday, 3 February 2005, at 10.25 a.m.

President: Mr. Chris SANDERS (Netherlands)

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<u>The PRESIDENT</u>: I declare open the 971st plenary meeting of the Conference on Disarmament.

First, I would like to invite the Conference to take a decision on the request from Panama, a non-member State of the Conference, to participate in our work, without first having considered it in an informal plenary. The request is contained in document CD/WP.537/Add.1.

May I take it that the Conference decides to invite Panama to participate in our work, in accordance with the rules of procedure?

It was so decided.

The PRESIDENT: This is now the 33rd observer.

I have no speakers for today's plenary meeting. Does any delegation wish to take the floor, nevertheless, at this stage of the formal, plenary part of our meeting? That does not seem to be the case. Therefore, I would now like to adjourn the formal plenary meeting of the Conference and resume our meeting in an informal format five minutes from now.

The meeting rose at 10.30 a.m.