

# Preparatory Committee for the 2020 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons

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### Summary record (partial)\* of the 16th meeting\*\*

Held at Headquarters, New York, on Wednesday, 8 May 2019, at 3 p.m.

*Chair:* Mr. Syed Hussin. . . . . (Malaysia)

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*The meeting was called to order at 3.10 p.m.*

**Organization of the 2020 Review Conference**  
(continued)

**(c) Election of the President and other officers**  
(NPT/CONF.2020/PC.III/CRP.5)

1. **The Chair** drew attention to the recommendations and decisions set out in document NPT/CONF.2020/PC.III/CRP.5 relating to the election of the President and other officers of the 2020 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons. He took it that the Committee wished to adopt the document.

2. *It was so decided.*

**(d) Appointment of the Secretary-General**

3. **The Chair** said that the Committee had decided at its first session to invite the Secretary-General of the United Nations, in consultation with the members of the Preparatory Committee, to nominate an official to act as provisional Secretary-General of the 2020 Review Conference, to be confirmed by the Conference. In that connection, it was his understanding the Secretary of the Preparatory Commission had been nominated to serve as provisional Secretary-General of the Conference.

4. *The Committee took note of the nomination.*

**(f) Financing of the Review Conference, including its Preparatory Committee**  
(NPT/CONF.2020/PC.II/1)

5. **The Chair** drew attention to document [NPT/CONF.2020/PC.II/1](#), prepared by the Secretariat at the request of the Committee, relating to the estimated cost of the 2020 Review Conference. In particular, it was recalled in paragraph 3 of the document that the costs associated with the preparation and holding of the Conference and the sessions of its Preparatory Committee should not have financial implications for the regular budget of the United Nations. Those activities would be undertaken by the Secretariat only after sufficient funding was received, in advance, from States parties.

6. At its seventh meeting, the Committee had adopted the rules of procedure of the Conference and the division of costs contained in the appendix thereto. He took it that the Committee agreed that the rules of procedure and the appendix would be annexed to the final report of the Preparatory Committee.

7. *It was so decided.*

**(g) Background documentation**  
(NPT/CONF.2020/PC.III/CRP.6)

8. **The Chair** drew attention to document NPT/CONF.2020/PC.III/CRP.6 relating to the background documentation of the 2020 Review Conference.

9. **Mr. Rozhkov** (Russian Federation) proposed that a paragraph 3 (b) *bis* be added to the document, containing the request that documentation prepared by the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization regarding its activities relevant to the implementation of the Non-Proliferation Treaty be made available to the 2020 Review Conference.

10. **Mr. Wood** (United States of America) said that his delegation could not support the proposed amendment.

11. **The Chair** said that the Committee would consider that proposal at a subsequent meeting.

**(h) Final document(s)**

12. **The Chair** said that it was his understanding that the Committee wished to defer the consideration of the item to the Review Conference itself.

13. *It was so decided.*

*The discussion covered in the summary record ended at 3.25 p.m.*