Explanation of Vote on draft resolution entitled
“Towards a nuclear-weapon-free world: accelerating the
implementation of nuclear disarmament commitments”
contained in document A/C.1/69/L.12/Rev.1

Mr. Chairman,

I have taken the floor to explain our decision on draft resolution entitled “Towards a nuclear-weapon-free world: accelerating the implementation of nuclear disarmament commitments contained in document A/C.1/69/L.12/Rev.1

There are several aspects of the resolution that Pakistan delegation is in agreement with. However, we are disappointed at the ritualistic and unrealistic assertion in OP-9 that calls upon Pakistan to unconditionally accede to NPT as a non-nuclear weapon state.

We also cannot accept references to NPT Review Conferences and their recommendations in the text due to our known position on the Treaty. As a non-party to the NPT, we neither subscribe to nor are bound by the conclusions and decisions of this Treaty, including those relating to its universality.

Our delegation has therefore, abstained on the draft resolution as a whole. We have specifically abstained on PP-24, OP-11 and have voted against OP-9.

Thank you, Mr. Chairman.