Mr. Chairman,

1. I have the honour to speak on behalf of the European Union and its Member States.

2. The European Union and the EU member States would like to compliment you and your team for the way you have guided us during this first session of Preparatory Committee for the 2020 NPT Review Conference of Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons.

3. We can look back on a very worth-while session. The exchange of views we have had as well as the reflections by Chair of the 2017 PrepCom help create a good atmosphere for the next step in this review cycle when we will meet in 2018 in Geneva under the Polish Chairmanship.

Thank you Mr. Chairman.