

---

**Preparatory Committee for the 2010 Review  
Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the  
Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons**

27 April 2007

Original: English

---

**First session**

Vienna, 30 April-11 May 2007

**Procedural and other arrangements for the effective and  
successful outcome of the Preparatory Committee and  
2010 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on  
the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons**

**Working paper presented by the members of the Group of  
Non-Aligned States parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation  
of Nuclear Weapons**

1. The Group of Non-Aligned States parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons recalls that the Preparatory Committee for the 2010 Review Conference is mandated and tasked, in fulfilment of the 1995 and 2000 decisions on the strengthened review process, to undertake the following:

(a) Consider specific matters of substance relating to the implementation of the Treaty and decisions 1 and 2, as well as the resolution on the Middle East adopted in 1995, and the outcomes of subsequent Review Conferences, including developments affecting the operation and purpose of the Treaty;

(b) At its third and, as appropriate, fourth session, the Preparatory Committee, taking into account the deliberations and results of its previous sessions, should make every effort to produce a consensus report containing recommendations to the Review Conference;

(c) The States parties agreed that the procedural arrangements for the Review Conference should be finalized at the last session of the Preparatory Committee;

(d) The Conference agrees that legally binding security assurances by the five nuclear-weapon States to the non-nuclear-weapon States parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons strengthen the nuclear non-proliferation regime. The Conference calls upon the Preparatory Committee to make recommendations to the 2010 Review Conference on this issue;

(e) The establishment of such subsidiary bodies would be recommended by the Preparatory Committee for each Review Conference in relation to the specific objectives of the Review Conference.



2. In the context of the above-mentioned tasks and mandates, the Group of Non-Aligned States parties to the Treaty calls for:

(a) An agreement on the provisional agenda of the Preparatory Committee and 2010 Review Conference, which would include "Preparatory work for the review of the operation of the Treaty in accordance with article VIII paragraph 3 of the Treaty, in particular, consideration of principles, objectives and ways to promote the full implementation of the Treaty, as well as its universality, including specific matters of substance related to the implementation of the Treaty and Decisions 1 and 2, as well as the resolution on the Middle East adopted in 1995, and the outcome of the 2000 Review Conference";

(b) Recalling that the 2000 Final Document states clearly that "each session of the Preparatory Committee should consider specific matters of substance relating to the implementation of the Treaty and the Decisions 1 and 2, as well as the Resolution on the Middle East adopted in 1995, and the outcomes of subsequent Review Conferences", the NAM States Parties to the NPT believe that this Preparatory Committee should deal with all the procedural issues necessary to take its work forward as well as with matters of substance as was decided at the 1995 and 2000 Conferences;

(c) To this end the Preparatory Committee should substantially focus on nuclear disarmament so as to ensure that there is a proper accounting in the reports by the States of their progress in achieving nuclear disarmament. In this regard, we wish to recall that the Final Document of the 2000 Review Conference called for regular reports within the framework of the NPT strengthened review process by all States Parties on the implementation of article VI and paragraph 4 (c) of the 1995 decision on "Principles and Objectives for Nuclear Non-Proliferation and Disarmament". The NAM States Parties to the NPT expect that the States Parties, in particular the nuclear-weapon States, should submit reports to each Preparatory Committee session, including this one. We expect that the reports on article VI should cover issues and principles addressed by the 13 steps and should include specific and complete information on each of these steps. These reports should also address, inter alia, current policies and intentions, as well as developments in these areas;

(d) The NAM States Parties also believe that the Preparatory Committee should substantially focus on the Middle East, and further recalls that the Final Document of the 2000 Review Conference called on all States Parties to the Treaty, particularly the nuclear-weapon States, the States of the Middle East and other interested States, to report through the United Nations Secretariat to the President of the Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty, as well as the Chairperson of the Preparatory Committee meetings to be held in advance of the Conference on the steps that they have taken to promote the achievement of such zone and the realization of the goals and objectives of the 1995 resolution on the Middle East. The NAM States Parties to the NPT expect that all States Parties to the Treaty, in particular the nuclear-weapon States, would submit reports in this regard as agreed in the 2000 Final Document.

3. The Group of Non-Aligned States parties to the Treaty furthermore calls on the Preparatory Committee and the 2010 Review Conference to:

(a) Reach an agreement on the establishment of subsidiary bodies, in accordance with rule 34 of the draft rules of procedure for the 2005 Review Conference, to consider, respectively, issues related to nuclear disarmament, security assurances and the implementation of the 1995 resolution on the Middle East;

(b) Consider the further strengthening or enhancement of the review process, including with regard to new institutions of the Treaty;

(c) The further strengthening or enhancement of the regular reporting mechanism provided for in accordance with the Final Document of the 2000 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons;

(d) Consider the steps and other actions that could be taken to promote disarmament and non-proliferation education, with particular reference to the Treaty;

(e) Support participation of non-governmental organizations in the Preparatory Committee and 2010 Review Conference meetings.

---