

**Delegation of the Islamic Republic of Iran**  
**Explanation of the vote on resolutions L.32**

**Thank you Madam Chair,**

I've taken the floor to explain the position of my delegation with respect to the draft resolutions L.32 entitled "Renew determination towards the total elimination of nuclear weapons".

We share the main objective of this resolution which is the call for the total elimination of the nuclear weapons. Indeed, the only absolute guarantee against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons is their total elimination. Last year my delegation, despite some reservations on the text, changed its previous position and voted in favor of this resolution in the hope that the text of this resolution would be improved this year. However, the text of the current draft which just adopted by the Committee, in our view is not appropriately balanced. For instance, while the draft has referred to the work of the Conference on Disarmament, it is only focused on one issue, namely FMCT. In the mean time, the reference to the FMCT is also not consistent with the previous agreements of the member states on its verifiability and the mandate agreed upon by the Conference on Disarmament in 1995.

Therefore, my delegation abstained on the draft resolution L.32.

Thank you Madam Chair.