



REPUBLIC OF SAN MARINO

STATEMENT

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Mr. Chairman,

I congratulate you and the members of the bureau for your appointment.

San Marino, a state without an army like many other members of the General Assembly, is delighted for the adoption of Resolution 1887 of the Security Council of September 24, 2009.

President Obama, President Medvedev, President Hu, President Sarkozy and Prime Minister Brown, leaders of the Countries with the largest nuclear arsenals, showed to the world and to all its citizens great leadership and we are very thankful for this turning point of their nuclear policy. You show leadership by example. We cannot think of a better example to contain nuclear armament around the world than a self imposed reduction of such devastating weapons.

Moreover, we are delighted that such historical event occurred in the Security Council under the roof of the United Nations and at the presence of all the leaders of the world: Doing so, the P5 reaffirmed, in an unequivocal way, the central and universal role of the United Nations.

Mr. Chairman,

The work of the First Committee this year shall focus, more than ever, on the indispensable and inevitable nuclear arms reduction and the urgency to re-energize the efforts for the NPT.

We are particularly pleased for the strong support that the Security Council expressed for the IAEA, reaffirming its authority and providing new resources to carry out its mission.

The fight of terrorism, especially nuclear terrorism, is of paramount importance. All member states can contribute through a network of information to such fight and be assured that San Marino will do its part.

Mr. Chairman,

Once again, the events of the last few days give us great hope for a more just and secure world; let's continue our effort with great diligence and sense of responsibility in the First Committee of the General Assembly.

Thank you Mr. Chairman.