

Non-Paper

Food for thought on a CD Program of Work.

As outgoing President of the CD, I would like to reflect on a purely personal basis what in my view might constitute a realistic way forward. It is an informal suggestion and does not have the status of a proposal.

On this basis I would like to suggest that the CD would consider the establishment of the following subsidiary bodies:

Under Agenda Item 1:

An Ad Hoc Committee on Nuclear Disarmament in conformity with paragraph 2 of document CD/1693/rev.1

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An Ad Hoc Committee to negotiate a non-discriminatory, multilateral treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices. Scope and verification of this treaty will be among the matters to be addressed in the negotiations, without preconditions.

Under Agenda Item 3:

An Ad Hoc Committee on the Prevention of an Arms Race in Outer Space in conformity with paragraph 4 of document CD/1693/rev.1

Under Agenda Item 4:

An Ad Hoc Committee to develop recommendations on how the Conference could more effectively deal with effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons.

Establishment of these subsidiary bodies would not preclude the establishment of any other subsidiary bodies or the appointment of special co-ordinators if there is a consensus in the CD to do so.