Mr. President,
At the outset allow me to congratulate you for the assumption of the post of presidency of the Conference. We are sure that with your diplomatic skills we will have smooth adoption of the report as the main task of the last President in 2013. I assure you of the full support of this delegation in discharging your important tasks.
I would also like to join other colleagues in bidding farewell to the distinguished Ambassadors of Japan and Italy and also the Deputy Permanent Representative of Russian Federation, Mr. Vasiliev and wish them all the success in their new posts. We enjoyed a lot from their valuable contribution to the work of the CD.

Mr. President,
We have studied your non-paper which is mainly focused on procedural issues for revitalization of the CD. As we have said in many meetings we attach great importance to the CD, as the sole negotiation body on disarmament and we support all efforts aimed at the start of the substantive work in this august body and welcome any constructive proposals that enhance the credibility and effective and well functioning of the CD based on its rules of procedures.

Mr. President
The crux of the problem of inactivity of the CD during last decade is the lack of political will for elimination of the common threat posed to the international community by nuclear weapons. Thus, the impasse in the CD is not the problem of form but is the problem of substance and does not
relate to any institutional or procedural and modality problem in the CD but has a close link with the lack of progress in the realm of disarmament. I believe that promoting the work of the CD cannot be achieved by changing the format or modality of work in the CD. The problem of the CD is neither its rules of procedure nor our interpretation about these rules. It worth reminding that not only all existing multilateral treaties were negotiated in the CD under the same rules of procedure, including the rule of consensus, but also the sensitive nature of issues related to security of the nations and disarmament obligate us to adopt the similar rules in negotiation of multilateral disarmament treaties in other fora. Let’s also bear in mind that after many consultation, we have finally adopted the same rules of procedures for the proposed working group on producing a program of work.

**Mr. President,**

Double standard, discrimination and selective approaches towards the four core issues are the main problems of the CD. Putting aside these attitudes is required for the start of the work of the CD. In response to some comments in this plenary I would like to draw the attention of the distinguished colleagues to this fact that CD as the sole negotiation body on disarmament relates to the sensitive issues that directly link to the security of the all nations. In addition to that it has well established rules of procedures which provides for equal participation of all members in the work of the CD. No members of this body is allowed to have this illusion that it is more equal than the others or can define for itself a perceived privileged status to wrongly attempt to deprive other members of the CD from exercising their membership rights based on irrational and unjustified pretexts.

Thank you