Third Meeting of States Parties
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Statement by Canada on Universalization

Thank you

Mr. Coordinator, at the April Intersessional Meeting of the Convention on Cluster Munitions Canada provided an update regarding ratification of the Convention. I am pleased to report that the Government of Canada has tabled its domestic national implementing legislation in the Senate where it has received First and Second Reading.

Following Parliament’s consideration and passage of the Bill, the next step in the ratification process is enactment of the law. This whole process is expected to take some months and at this stage it is impossible to predict when that process will be complete.

Once the Bill is enacted, Canada will be in a position to deposit its Instrument of Ratification.

Ideally the whole process will be complete before the Fourth Meeting of States Parties.

Thank you.