Draft decisions on the establishment of a CCM ISU at the Fourth Meeting of States Parties

At the same plenary meeting, the Meeting decided to establish an Implementation Support Unit, consisting of 2.5 staff members, to be hosted by the Geneva International Centre for Humanitarian Demining. In accordance with the decision made at the Second Meeting of States Parties, the Implementation Support Unit, while hosted by the Geneva International Centre for Humanitarian Demining, shall be independent and shall not be formally linked to any other Implementation Support Unit. The Implementation Support Unit shall conduct its work on the basis of the principles of independence, inclusiveness, transparency, accountability to the States parties, efficiency and effectiveness.

The Meeting further decided:

a) That, in accordance with the decision made at the Second Meeting of States Parties, the President, in consultation with the Coordinators, and taking into account the views of all States parties, shall decide in a transparent way on the recruitment of the Director. The Director shall be in place as soon as possible and preferably no later than 1 January 2014. The Director shall be on a contract lasting three years, with the possibility of extension.

b) That the first task of the Director is to recruit, in a transparent manner, the remaining personnel of the Implementation Support Unit.

c) That the Director shall also develop a work plan and budget for 2014, in consultation with the President and the Coordinators, to be presented to States parties no later than the 2014 Intersessional meetings.

d) To adopt the agreement between the States parties and the GICHD on the hosting of the Implementation Support Unit, prepared by the President of the Third Meeting of States Parties, as contained in document CCM/MSP/2013/…

e) That the tasks and responsibilities of the Implementation Support Unit, as outlined in the ISU Directive, contained in document CCM/MSP/2011/WP.9, is to be reviewed at the Sixth Meeting of States Parties;

f) That the Implementation Support Unit shall be funded by the States Parties according to the United Nations scale of assessment pro-rated to take into account differences in membership between the Convention and the United Nations, for the period 2014-2016.

g) To welcome the offer of in-kind contributions from Switzerland to cover the costs of the services provided by the GICHD to the Implementation Support Unit, in accordance with the agreement mentioned in d).

h) To encourage States Parties in a position to do so to contribute to the initial costs of the Implementation Support Unit until the regular funding has taken effect.