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**Mr. Co-ordinator,**

I thank you for giving me the floor.

Ghana's commitment to comply with her obligations under the Convention is progressing steadily. In this regard, our Attorney General's Department has drafted the final legislation to prohibit the use, manufacturing, production, stockpiling, and transfer of Cluster Munitions including penal sanctions for any violations based on some input received from limited stakeholders.

The final draft legislation on the CCM has been widely shared with very key stakeholders among them are New Zealand, the ICRC and the CMC just to mention a few, to seek their views and further comments before we finalize the CCM Bill to be laid before Parliament.

Indeed Mr. Co-ordinator, Ghana is in the final stages of the adoption of the CCM into our domestic laws. As an administrative requirement, we hope to hold in the coming days, a final wider consultation with various legal experts as well as relevant International agencies. We also hope our final consultation would have the active participation of some affected States to assist us have a robust legislation that can not only stand the test of time but also be a model that can be adopted by other States especially Sub-Saharan States.

We wish to announce at this meeting and also assure the President, the UNDP, New Zealand, the ICRC the CMC, and all Stakeholders that Ghana would be adopting the provisions of the CCM into her domestic laws very soon.

In concluding Mr, Co-ordinator, I would like to express the sincere gratitude of my Government to New Zealand, ICRC and CMC for their tremendous support to our efforts.

I thank you.