



THE REPUBLIC OF UGANDA

STATEMENT BY:

THE GOVERNMENT OF UGANDA

AT

**THE FIRST REVIEW CONFERENCE OF THE CONVENTION ON
CLUSTER MUNITIONS (CCM)**

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Madam President.
Your Excellencies,
Distinguished Delegates,
Ladies and Gentlemen,

Madam President, on behalf of the Government of the Republic of Uganda, allow me to congratulate you upon assuming the office of the President of this Conference which is addressing one of the fundamental Humanitarian causes that this generation is grappling with, that is; to bring to an end the unacceptable harm caused by Cluster Munitions. Allow me to thank our Host, the Government of the Republic of Croatia, for the warm reception accorded to us since arrival in this beautiful City of Dubrovnik.

Special thanks go to the Implementation Support Unit for the support it has given to our delegation to enable us participate the Conference as Observers.

Madam President, Uganda signed the CCM on 03 December 2008 . This action was founded on the Strategic Direction of respect for International law and treaty obligations that stand for respect for Human Dignity, a safe and secure environment.

Madam President , Distinguished Delagates,Uganda does not use, produce , stockpile or transfer Cluster Munitions and does not intend to do so. It is for this reason that Uganda joins the rest of the world in condemning the use of Cluster Munitions which has horrifying devastating effects to its victims.

Uganda has extensively participated at the international and regional fora and expressed its commitment to work towards the ratification

of/accession to the Convention on Cluster Munitions to achieve the purpose of the Convention. Currently, consultations are at the highest level, in keeping with the procedural requirement under the Uganda Constitution.

Madam President, Uganda supports the Dubrovnik Declaration on Universalisation of the CCM and looks forward to working to achieving its goal.

.FOR GOD AND MY COUNTRY