

STATEMENT

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Mr. President,

Since this is my delegation first time taking the floor, I would like to congratulate you on your elections as President of this Second Meeting of States Parties to the Convention on Cluster Munitions. I also wish to thank the government and the people of Lebanon for hosting this meeting. Since our arrival here we continue to enjoy the kind hospitality of the Lebanese people.

Cluster Munitions have been a persistent humanitarian concern and will continue to be if the Convention is not implemented. Lebanon, where the meeting is taking place today is a practical example to the impact of cluster munitions. The people who made the field visit on Monday had a bird-eye view of its impact.

Mr. President, my delegation is pleased to inform you that the process to ratify the convention is under considerations by my government and it is in this light that consultations have started with relevant stakeholders.

In this spirit and the spirit of a safer life, we would like to encourage States who have signed but yet to ratify the Convention to do so and also encourage those States that have not join to join with the aim of saving humanity.

To conclude, Mr. President, Liberia remains committed to the objective of this meeting and is of the conviction that you will lead this meeting to a successful end.

I thank you Mr. President.