Mr. President,

Ladies and gentlemen,

On behalf of the Lao delegation, I would like to express our sincere appreciation for the work done by our outgoing president Lebanon for its excellent work and tireless effort to advance the mandate on ISU establishment. Lao PDR believes that having ISU in place would contribute greatly to advance the work of our convention. We regret that a consensus could not be reached during the Presidency of Lebanon. However, we very much support the proposal contained in the working paper CCM/MSP/2012/WP5 to mandate the president to continue the work of Lebanon presidency in order to establishing an ISU. Lao PDR avail herself to engage with all States Parties to overcome our differences.

I thank you.