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Mr.Chairman,

First of all, I wish to join the others in expressing our gratitude to the Government and people of Zambia for their hospitality, wishing them prosperity and every success in their development efforts.

Like many other countries participating in this international conference, Mongolia attaches a particular importance to the Convention on Cluster Munitions banning one the most inhumane weapons of today, and supports the international efforts towards its universalization. This conference provides us with another opportunity to discuss and exchange views on humanitarian and developmental consequences of using cluster munitions.

As we can see from our discussions the impact of using cluster munitions is enormous and dangerous, and more concerted efforts should be made by the international community to further strengthen the implementation of the Convention. We believe that the only guarantee against the risk of the use and proliferation of these weapons is their total elimination.

We fully share the view expressed at this conference by a number of delegations that the international community should concentrate its attention not only on promoting awareness of the catastrophic humanitarian consequences of using cluster munitions, but also think about the concrete actions that could be undertaken to prevent it. We believe that the exchange of national experiences would be of particular importance in this regard.