

The Fifth Meeting to the Convention on Cluster Munitions (CCM)

Intervention Paper

BY

The Kingdom of Swaziland

Thank you Chair;

Distinguished Delegates;

Ladies and Gentlemen;

As it is for the first time for the Kingdom of Swaziland to take the floor, may I begin with congratulating Costa Rica for hosting the Fifth Meeting of State Parties (5MSP) in this beautiful city of San Jose, which has lovely tropical beaches, wonders of nature and grandest adventures which are blessed with a scintillating culture, in the Caribbean Region, Chair, Swaziland have a feeling that justice could have not be done if the hospitality of the people of Costa Rica would be left behind.

Chair;

Swaziland is particular pleased to see you chairing the proceedings of these august house, which the Kingdom is confident that through your able leadership the meeting will be guided to a successful outcome, and I therefore pledge the fullest support to your effort.

Colleagues;

As State Parties to these Convection, we are here to fulfill the mandate given to us by the United Nations Secretary General as stipulated in Article 11, Paragraph 2, and further to promote a common understanding and effective action on stigmatization of cluster munitions and their use. On the same vain Swaziland joins the rest of Member States who are Party to the Convention in condemning the manufacture,stockpiling and use of these weapons of non-discrimination, which when deployed it kill and maim innocent children and women as well as

nature. The long time effect of these weapons hinder socio-economic growth to those affected countries. It is very disturbing to hear that some States are still deploying Cluster Munitions after all the condemnation that has been said globally about these weapon of non-discrimination.

Chair,

The Kingdom of Swaziland continues to comply timely by fulfilling Article 7 of the Convention on Cluster Munitions. In conclusion, the delegation of the Kingdom of Swaziland is looking forward to participate in the Five-Days Review Conference of State Parties that will be in the early month of September 2015 in with accordance to Article 12 Paragraph 1 and 2 of the Convention. Furthermore, we hope and wish that those State Parties to the Convention, who still produce, stockpile and/ or keep a certain amount for training and otherwise, will stop and do away with their said objectives and as such they will soon complete destroying all available Cluster Munitions. This will help to fulfill the main objective of the Convention on Cluster munitions for an explosive munitions free world in the next generation to come.

THANKYOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION;

GOD BLESS;