

## **CCM – Compliance**

Mr President,

Thank you. The continued use of cluster munitions abhors us. We condemn any use of cluster munitions by any actor. We have done so, collectively, in the Dubrovnik Declaration and in last year's Political Declaration. We should, collectively, continue to do so. In that regard, we can support the comments made by New Zealand earlier to include a condemnation of the use in our final report.

We commend the excellent work done by the Cluster Munition Monitor, which provides invaluable documentation in this area. The most recent edition of the Monitor provides reports about the use of cluster munitions in various places, including in Syria and Yemen. It reports that the number of cluster munitions victims has more than doubled compared to the previous year.

Mr. President,

Compliance with the CCM and with the norms of international law remains of the utmost importance to the Netherlands. We urge those involved in reported use of cluster munitions to react to this increasing volume of documentation in a concrete, open and transparent manner.

In the meantime we call upon all governments concerned to take any necessary measure to protect its citizens from cluster munitions.

Thank you Mr President.