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CONVENTION ON CLUSTER MUNITIONS – INTERSESSIONAL MEETING

Agenda item 5: Update on the mandate of the Presidency as decided by the 2RC

Tuesday 17 May

In line with the mandate received by the States Parties, this proposal includes a draft decision, putting in place a robust recruitment process with a realistic timeline to enable its successful completion.

The draft decision sets up a selection panel tasked with the mandate to shortlist and interview candidates and make a recommendation to the States Parties.

The selection panel will be composed of five members, with four surrogate members, in case of potential conflicts of interest, and will be chaired by the President of the 11MSP. This composition will take into account gender balance considerations as well as geographical representation and status of the represented states. In line with the final decision of the selection panel, the President will propose the appointed candidate for the approval of the States Parties via written silence procedure. Taking into account both transparency and confidentiality considerations, the report of the selection panel will be made available to the Coordinating Committee after the designation of the ISU Director. The GICHD will provide administrative and logistical support throughout the selection process.

In order to allow sufficient time for the successful conclusion of this crucial process for the implementation of the Convention, it is important that the selection procedure starts immediately after the closure of the 10MSP.

I look forward to hearing your views and comments in the coming months, with the aim of finalising the draft decision and timeline for adoption at the 10MSP.

Delegations will also see that we have annexed the Terms of Reference for the ISU Director, reflecting technical updates from the current document. These ToRs will guide both the Selection Panel, and the eventual successful candidate in the execution of their duties in support of our Convention.