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In our view, the purpose of a political declaration at the 1RC should be to reconfirm the shared commitment of States Parties to the humanitarian objectives of the Convention, i.e. to end the harm caused by cluster munitions. Formulations such as "States are encouraged to" do not reflect this commitment and should be avoided.

The declaration should be short and concise and easy to distinguish from the other documents, avoiding repetition from the Review document and the Action Plan to be adopted.