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National Implementation Measures

Mr. President, Excellencies, Distinguished Representatives, Ladies and Gentlemen, Good Morning.

Being a new State Party to the CCM, the Philippines finds its implementation as a challenge. However, the positive position that the Philippines is enjoying is that despite its armed conflicts, especially with its own – either those promoting terrorist, fundamentalist, or extremist goals, the State never used and will never use cluster munitions as a matter of military policy.

This is only to prove to the rest of the world that the Philippines, in modern times, strived and will always strive for the highest standards of alleviating human suffering and the promotion of human rights – regardless of whatever some countries and some sectors are insinuating against the peaceful and developmental efforts of the present Philippine government.

Again, we are glad to be a part of this prestigious body or group of nations. Thank you, Mr. President.