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Provisional Annotated Programme of Work^{*, 1}

Submitted by the President of the Twelfth Meeting of States Parties

Tuesday, 10 September 2024

10:00 - 13:00

Official Opening of the Twelfth Meeting of States Parties (*item 1 of the provisional agenda*)

1. Opening of the Meeting by the President of the Twelfth Meeting of States Parties, Francisca E. Méndez Escobar, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary and Permanent Representative of Mexico to the United Nations Office in Geneva (item 1 on the provisional agenda). Ambassador Francisca E. Méndez Escobar will deliver remarks outlining expectations for the Meeting and giving an overview of the implementation work done over the previous months since the Eleventh Meeting of States Parties.

2. In the spirit of partnership that has been the hallmark of the Meetings of States Parties to the Convention on Cluster Munitions, the President will invite a representative of the host country, Switzerland, as well as representatives of the United Nations, the International Committee of the Red Cross, the Cluster Munition Coalition, and the winner of the Youth Multimedia Contest to address the plenary.

Procedural matters (*items 2-5 and 7 of the provisional agenda*)

3. Adoption of the agenda (CCM/MSP/2024/1) and confirmation of the rules of procedure (items 2, 3 and 7 of the provisional agenda).

4. Election of the Vice-Presidents of the 12MSP (item 5 of the provisional agenda)

5. Confirmation of the Secretary-General of the Meeting (item 4 of the provisional agenda).

* The present document is being issued without formal editing.

¹ Please note that the Twelfth Meeting of States Parties will follow a rolling agenda, therefore all times are indicative.



Organization of work

Introduction by the President of documents and key draft decisions

(item 6 of the provisional agenda)

6. The President will briefly present the following documents to be considered and decided upon by the Meeting:

- CCM 12MSP Progress Report monitoring progress on the implementation of the Lausanne Action Plan during the period 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024, submitted by the Twelfth Meeting of States Parties Presidency of Mexico (CCM/MSP/2024/11).
- Analysis of the Article 4 extension request submitted by Chad (CCM/MSP/2024/4).
- Analysis of the Article 4 extension request submitted by Germany (CCM/MSP/2024/5).
- Analysis of the Article 4 extension request submitted by Lao PDR (CCM/MSP/2024/6).

Presentation of deadline extension requests under Article 4 of the

Convention and of the analysis of these requests *(item 9 of the provisional agenda)*

1. The President will make a brief introduction and then call on States Parties with Article 4 obligations to present their extension requests.

2. Thereafter, the Chairperson(s) of the Analysis Group will present the analysis of each individual request submitted under Article 4 of the Convention. States Parties that have submitted extension requests will be invited to provide clarifications in response to the evaluation of the Analysis Group (item 9 of the provisional agenda). In keeping with past practice, there will be an opportunity for discussions on extension requests, with the State Parties returning to formal consideration of these request later in the week.

General exchange of views *(item 8 of the provisional agenda)*

3. States Parties, Signatories, States not Party, international organizations and civil society organizations are invited to make statements of a general nature. Topics that delegations may wish to cover include political commitments, universalization, general points on implementation of the Convention, expectations for the Twelfth Meeting of States Parties, the preventive role of the Convention in the protection of civilians and its importance for the strengthening of international humanitarian law. Interested delegations should contact the Implementation Support Unit to be inscribed on the speaker' list (info@cmconvention.org). For those delegations that do not wish to deliver oral statements, written statements can be provided and will be made available on the Convention's website.

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General exchange of views *(continued)*

4. Delegations will continue delivering general statements.

Wednesday, 11 September 2024

10:00 - 13:00

Review of the status and operation of the Convention and other matters important for achieving the aims of the Convention (*item 10 of the provisional agenda*)

Universalization (*item 10(a) of the provisional agenda*)

5. The President will make a brief introduction and then invite the Coordinators on Universalization, Malawi and Peru, to report on the status of progress made and challenges in universalization of the Convention.
6. States Parties are encouraged to provide an update on the activities that they have undertaken to promote universal adherence to the Convention, for example, bilateral meetings, workshops, demarches, letters, advocacy missions and diplomatic notes.
7. Signatory States are invited to provide an update on their domestic process of ratification and deposit of instruments of ratification.
8. States not Party are also invited to express their support for the Convention and provide updates on domestic processes in advance of accession to the Convention.
9. The United Nations, the International Committee of the Red Cross, the Cluster Munition Coalition and other organizations working on the universalization of the Convention are invited to present their activities and aims for universalization.
10. Questions that delegations may wish to consider in preparation for the Twelfth Meeting of States Parties have been identified in the CCM 12MSP Progress Report. Delegations are encouraged to inform on their efforts to mainstream gender and the diverse needs and experiences of populations in affected communities.

Storage and Stockpile Destruction (*item 10(b) of the provisional agenda*)

11. The President will make a brief introduction and then invite the Coordinators on Storage and Stockpile Destruction, the Netherlands and Zambia, to report on the status of, progress made and the challenges in the implementation of Article 3 of the Convention.
12. States Parties with obligations under Article 3 are invited to provide progress in, share plans for and challenges to the safe and rapid destruction of cluster munitions. States Parties that have chosen to retain cluster munitions under Article 3, paragraphs 6 to 8, are encouraged to provide updates on their numbers and types, how they have been used in the period under review, plans on their use and plans for their eventual destruction.
13. Signatory States and States not Parties with stockpile of cluster munitions are invited to share relevant information regarding the number and types of stockpiles and of plans for, or obstacles to their destruction.
14. The United Nations, the International Committee of the Red Cross, the Cluster Munition Coalition and other organizations are invited to present their views on the implementation of Article 3.
15. Questions that delegations may wish to consider in preparation for the Twelfth Meeting of States Parties have been identified in the CCM 12MSP Progress Report. Delegations are encouraged to inform on their efforts to mainstream gender and the diverse needs and experiences of populations in affected communities.

Clearance and destruction of cluster munitions remnants and risk education *(item 10(c) of the provisional agenda)*

16. The President will make a brief introduction and then invite the Coordinators on clearance and destruction of cluster munitions remnants and risk education, Italy and Norway, to report on the status of, progress made and the challenges in the implementation of Article 4 of the Convention.

17. States Parties with obligations under Article 4 are encouraged to provide an update on their plans, priorities and progress towards clearance and risk education. This could include efforts to identify as precisely as possible the location and size of all areas contaminated by cluster munition remnants as well as efforts or plans to clear or otherwise release such areas as soon as possible.

18. Signatory States and States not Party contaminated by cluster munition remnants are invited to share information on the magnitude and structure of the contamination, their plans for addressing the contamination and for ensuring the safety of exposed populations.

19. States are invited to share their views on progress in and obstacles to clearance efforts and are encouraged to share ideas and proposals on how to make survey and clearance efforts more effective and efficient.

20. The United Nations, the International Committee of the Red Cross, the Cluster Munition Coalition and other organizations are invited to present their views on the implementation of Article 4 as well as their recommendations on how such efforts can be sustainable, adequate and more effective and efficient.

21. Questions that delegations may wish to consider in preparation for the Twelfth Meeting of States Parties have been identified in the CCM 12MSP Progress Report. Delegations are encouraged to inform on their efforts to mainstream gender and the diverse needs and experiences of populations in affected communities.

Victim assistance *(item 10(d) of the provisional agenda)*

22. The President will make a brief introduction and then invite the Coordinators on Victim Assistance, Austria and Panama, to report on the status of, progress made and the challenges in the implementation of Article 5 of the Convention.

23. States Parties with obligations under Article 5 are encouraged to provide an update on their efforts to provide age-and-gender-sensitive assistance, including medical care, rehabilitation and psychological support, as well as on efforts to ensure social and economic inclusion of victims. States Parties are encouraged to include their views on how victim assistance could be better integrated into existing national health and social care systems.

24. Signatory States and States not Party are invited to share their views on the implementation of Article 5.

25. The United Nations, the International Committee of the Red Cross, the Cluster Munition Coalition and other organizations are invited to present their views on the implementation of Article 4 as well as their recommendations on how such efforts can be sustainable, adequate and more effective and efficient.

26. Questions that delegations may wish to consider in preparation for the Twelfth Meeting of States Parties have been identified in the CCM 12MSP Progress Report. Delegations are encouraged to inform on their efforts to mainstream gender and the diverse needs and experiences of populations in affected communities.

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Review of the status and operation of the Convention and other matters important for achieving the aims of the Convention (*continued*)

International cooperation and assistance (*item 10(e) of the provisional agenda*)

27. The President will make a brief introduction and then invite the Coordinators on International Cooperation and Assistance, Lebanon and Switzerland, to report on the status of, progress thus far and challenges in the implementation of Article 6 of the Convention.

28. States Parties seeking assistance to implement their obligations under the Convention are encouraged to provide an update of their plans and needs as well as on the measures they are taking to facilitate the provision of assistance by other States and to promote cooperation between States and other actors.

29. States in a position to provide assistance are encouraged to respond to the needs and gaps identified by affected States under the sub-items on stockpile destruction and retention, clearance and risk reduction education, and victim assistance.

30. States are invited to present their general views on cooperation and assistance under the Convention.

31. The United Nations, the International Committee of the Red Cross, the Cluster Munition Coalition and other organizations are invited to present what they are doing to facilitate international cooperation and assistance, assistance they have or are able to provide, their views on the implementation of Article 6, as well as their recommendations for how such efforts may be sustainable, adequate and more effective and efficient.

32. Questions that delegations may wish to consider in preparation for the Twelfth Meeting of States Parties have been identified in the CCM 12MSP Progress Report. Delegations are encouraged to inform on their efforts to mainstream gender and the diverse needs and experiences of populations in affected communities.

Transparency measures (*item 10(f) of the provisional agenda*)

33. The President will make a brief introduction and then invite the Coordinator on Transparency Measures, Australia, to report on the status of, progress made thus far and challenges in the implementation of Article 7 of the Convention.

34. State Parties, Signatories and State not party are invited to give views on the new reporting template, the importance of transparency reporting, to present any transparency measures or reporting that they have already undertaken, or to provide information on any difficulties they may be encountering with transparency reporting.

35. The United Nations, the International Committee of the Red Cross, the Cluster Munition Coalition and other organizations are invited to present their views on the implementation of Article 7.

36. Questions that delegations may wish to consider in preparation for the Twelfth Meeting of States Parties have been identified in the 12MSP Progress Report.

- Delegations are encouraged to inform on their efforts to mainstream gender and the diverse needs and experiences of populations in affected communities.

Compliance *(item 10(g) of the provisional agenda)*

37. Article 8 of the Convention addresses facilitation and clarification of compliance. If any State Party has a concern regarding compliance with the Convention by another State Party, that State Party may submit a “Request for Clarification” to the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

38. States are invited to share their views on interpretation of provisions of the Convention.

39. Article 10 of the Convention deals with settlement of disputes relating to the interpretation or application of the Convention. It is not envisaged that there will be any disputes amongst State parties at the 12MSP, so this agenda item should be brief.

National implementation measures *(item 10(h) of the provisional agenda)*

40. The President will provide introductory remarks and then invite the Coordinator on National Implementation Measures, Iraq, to report on the status of, progress made and the challenges in the implementation of Article 9 of the Convention.

41. States Parties with obligations under Article 9 are encouraged to provide an update on specific implementation measures they have taken or plan to undertake under Article 9. States Parties are invited to share best practices when adopting national legislation to implement the Convention.

42. Signatory States and States not Party are invited to provide an update on the implementation of Article 9.

43. The United Nations, the International Committee of the Red Cross, the Cluster Munition Coalition and other organizations are invited to present their views on the implementation of Article 9.

44. Questions that delegations may wish to consider in preparation for the Twelfth Meeting of States Parties have been identified in the 12MSP Progress Report. Delegations are encouraged to inform on their efforts to mainstream gender and the diverse needs and experiences of populations in affected communities.

Gender mainstreaming *(item 10(i) of the provisional agenda)*

45. The President will make a brief introduction and then invite the Coordinators on General Status and Operation of the Convention, Belgium and Germany, in their role as Gender Focal Points of the Convention to brief the Meeting on the progress made to mainstream gender and the diverse needs and experiences of populations in affected communities, as articulated in the LAP.

Implementation support *(item 10(j) of the provisional agenda)*

46. The President will invite the Director of the Implementation Support Unit to present the ISU 2023 annual report, and its budget and work plan for 2025.

Other matters important for achieving the aims of the Convention *(item 10(k) of the provisional agenda)*

47. This is an open agenda item that provides an opportunity for delegations to raise any other matters that do not fall under the agenda items. It would be preferable that any delegation wishing to take the floor during this agenda item submits a request to the President in advance, asking for the floor and indicating the topic they wish to raise.

Thursday, 12 September 2024

48. Informal consultations and side events.

Friday, 13 September 2024

10:00 – 13:00

Consideration of extension requests submitted under Article 3 and Article 4 of the Convention (*item 10(l) of the provisional agenda*)

49. The President will invite delegations to present their views on the extension request submitted by Chad under Article 4 of the Convention and consider the draft decision on the request (CCM/MSP/2024/4).

50. The President will invite delegations to present their views on the extension request submitted by Germany under Article 4 of the Convention and consider the draft decision on the request (CCM/MSP/2024/5).

51. The President will invite delegations to present their views on the extension request submitted by Lao PDR under Article 4 of the Convention and consider the draft decision on the request (CCM/MSP/2024/6).

Financial status of the Convention (*item 11 of the provisional agenda*)

52. The United Nations Office in Geneva (UNOG) will provide an overview of the financial status of the Convention.

15:00 – 18:00

Preparations for the Thirteenth Meeting of States Parties (*item 12 of the provisional agenda*)

53. Election of H.E. Mr. Carlos D. Sorreta, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Permanent Representative of the Philippines as President of the Thirteenth Meeting of States Parties (item 12 (a) of the provisional agenda).

54. Date, duration, venue, and estimated cost for the organization of the Thirteenth Meeting of States Parties (item 12 (b) of the provisional agenda).

55. Designation of the President of the Third Review Conference of States Parties scheduled for 2026 (TBC).

Other matters (*item 13 of the provisional agenda*)

56. This is an open agenda item that provides an opportunity for delegations to raise any other matters that do not fall under the agenda items. It would be preferable that any delegation wishing to take the floor during this agenda item submit a request to the President in advance, asking for the floor and indicating the topic they wish to address.

Consideration and adoption of the final document of the meeting (*item 14 of the provisional agenda*)

57. The President will deliver a final presentation of the outcome document of the Twelfth Meeting of States Parties. The President may call on the respective Coordinators to report on

the results of any consultations undertaken. This is an opportunity for those delegations wishing to make any final remarks relating to the outcome documents to do so.

Closure of the Twelfth Meeting of States Parties (*item 15 of the provisional agenda*)

58. Under this item the President will invite the Philippines, President of the Thirteenth Meeting of States Parties to deliver remarks looking ahead to the work of States Parties and other delegations during the period leading up to the Thirteenth Meeting of States Parties. The President will then deliver concluding remarks and close the meeting.
