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**Statement by the Delegation of Thailand
at the 12th Meeting of the State Parties to the Convention of Cluster Munition
10-13 September 2023, Geneva, Switzerland**

Madam Chair,

1) At the outset, Thailand would like to congratulate you on your assumption of the Presidency of the Twelfth Meeting of States Parties.

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2) Despite not being a party to the Convention on Cluster Munitions (CCM), Thailand shares concerns of humanitarian, environmental and other impacts of indiscriminate weapons, including cluster munitions.

3) Thailand wishes to reiterate our firm commitments to not use, produce, acquire, collect, or transfer cluster munitions both directly and indirectly, as well as prohibit assistance, supporting, or inducing related activities to any countries.

4) And while in the process of considering joining the Convention, Thailand has already advanced its obligations on international cooperation and assistance, victim assistance and mine risk education under the Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Convention. Through the Thailand Mine Action Center under the Royal Thai Armed Forces, Thailand is committed to fulfill the obligations of the Mine Ban Convention which complement the objective and purpose of the CCM, and gear forward the mine-free world.

5) Furthermore, Thailand supplies annual data to the UNROCA on the international transfers with regard to the 7 categories of weapons systems, including the cluster munitions. We continue to engage with all stakeholders at both national and regional level, including through the ASEAN Regional Mine Action Center (ARMAC).

Madam Chair,

4) In closing, I wish to reiterate my country's commitment to cooperating with the international community to promote peace, safety, and stability for the world community.

5) Thank you.