



**PERMANENT MISSION OF THE REPUBLIC OF ZAMBIA
GENEVA**

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The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Zambia to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva presents its compliments to the Implementation Support Unit of the Convention on Cluster Munitions (CCM) and has the honour to submit in advance Zambia's statement to be delivered under Agenda Item 8, High Level Segment – General Exchange of Views, during the Third Review Conference of the CCM, to be held from 14th to 18th September, 2026 in Lao People's Democratic Republic.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Zambia to the United Nations and other International Organizations in Geneva avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Implementation Support Unit of the Convention on Cluster Munitions (CCM) the assurances of its highest consideration.

Geneva, 14 September, 2026

The Implementation Support Unit of the Convention
on Cluster Munitions
GENEVA





Republic of Zambia

**General Statement delivered at the Third Review Conference
of States Parties to the Convention of Cluster Munitions**

High-Level Segment _General Exchange of Views_ Agenda Item 8

Vientiane LAO PDR, 14-18 September, 2026

The President of the 3rd Review Conference on Cluster Munitions
Convention,
Excellencies,
Distinguished delegates,

Mr. President,

My delegation congratulates you on your election to the Presidency of the Third Review Conference of the Convention on Cluster Munitions and wishes to express our sincere gratitude to the people and Government of the Lao People's Democratic Republic for hosting this Conference in Vientiane.

We also wish to acknowledge the work and tireless efforts of the Implementation Support Unit in preparing for this Conference and the continued support to States Parties in implementing their obligations under the Convention.

Mr. President,

My delegation is confident that, under your able leadership, the proceedings of this Conference will be successfully steered towards achieving meaningful outcomes. We wish to assure you of our full support to the aspirations of the Convention.

Mr. President,

The Zambian delegation recognizes the Statement delivered on behalf of the African Group and reaffirms its full commitment to the pronounced collective objectives, particularly the shared vision of a world free from cluster munition remnants.

Mr. President,

Zambia does not produce, use or stockpile Cluster Munitions, but has, from the outset, supported the work of the Convention and played an active leadership role in advancing its objectives. This includes hosting the Fourth Meeting of States Parties in Lusaka in September 2013.

Zambia also served as President of the Convention until September 2014 and played a key role in advancing the adoption and implementation of the Convention. We wish to reaffirm our continued commitment to efforts aimed at the universalisation of the Convention.

Mr. President,

The devastating and indiscriminate effects of cluster munitions on innocent victims and affected communities cannot be overstated. Therefore, my delegation wishes to reiterate that, it is our collective responsibility, particularly as States Parties, to play our role in strengthening efforts towards achieving a world free from cluster munitions.

Zambia, being among the first thirty (30) countries to ratify the Convention, reaffirms the Government's longstanding support for the work of the Convention and its continued commitment to upholding its objectives and principles.

My delegation looks forward to the successful consideration and conclusion of the work of the Third Review Conference of the Convention under your able leadership.

I thank you.