

Convention on Cluster Munitions

Third Review Conference

Statement by Norway under Agenda Item 9 (j) Implementation Support

Thank you President,

Norway takes note of the Implementation Support Unit 2025 Annual Report, and have no further comments on this.

Regarding the Five-Year Work Plan and Budget for 2027-31. As we have noted earlier, we would have preferred a shorter and more overarching five-year plan, allowing for a strategic look at where the focus of the work should be. Despite this, we do not object to the endorsement of the document. With a wide array of activities, it can serve as a menu to pick from.

It is then, however, important that a focused workplan and budget for each year is developed. This will allow for strategic focus, based on available resources. We want the work of the ISU to be as efficient and effective as possible, taking account of developments on the ground, and in multilateral arenas. It allows for upscaling or downscaling activities dependent on available financial resources. Also, as a donor of voluntary contributions, we will need to know what our funding will be used for in the year to come.

We suggest that the third review conference mandates the new Presidency to follow up, in cooperation with the ISU, the Coordination Committee, and other relevant partners, to establish a focused and strategic annual workplan and annual budget for 2027.

Thank you