

First Meeting of States Parties to the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons

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Decisions to be taken by the first Meeting of States Parties to the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons

Addendum

Revised draft decisions on the establishment of an intersessional structure for the implementation of the Treaty.

The Meeting of States Parties decides:

- a. To establish a Coordination Committee to coordinate the conduct and organisation of intersessional work between the first and second Meetings of States Parties. The Committee will comprise the outgoing President, the President of the subsequent meeting, the co-chairs of the informal working groups, the informal facilitator to further explore and articulate the possible areas of tangible cooperation between the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons and the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons, and the Gender Focal Point (see below), with the participation as observers of the International Committee of the Red Cross and the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons. The Co-Chairs of the Scientific Advisory Group may be invited to participate by the Coordination Committee.
- ~~b. In order to facilitate continuity in the implementation of the Treaty, the President of the most recently concluded Meeting of States Parties (or Review Conference) will chair the Coordination Committee until the midway point between meetings of States Parties (or between a meeting of States Parties and a Review Conference) at which time the chair will be assumed by the President of the succeeding meeting of States Parties (or Review Conference).⁺~~

⁺~~This arrangement to facilitate continuity of work between the first and second meeting of States Parties does not set a precedent for subsequent intersessional chairing modalities.~~

- c. The Coordination Committee will meet at least once every quarter or on an ad hoc basis, as necessary, using virtual or hybrid means wherever possible. **The Chair of the Coordination Committee will identify the location of any in-person meeting with a view to maximising participation. Virtual participation by any State Party interested in observing the meeting can be arranged as required.**
- d. The Coordination Committee will be supported by the Secretariat.
- e. To establish the following informal working groups to coordinate and take forward the intersessional work between Meetings of States Parties (or Review Conferences):
 - i. Informal working group on universalization. This group will be co-chaired by South Africa and Malaysia **between the first and second Meeting of States Parties.**
 - ii. Informal working group on victim assistance, environmental remediation; international cooperation and assistance. This group will be co-chaired by Kazakhstan and Kiribati **between the first and second Meeting of States Parties.**
 - iii. Informal working group on the implementation of Article 4, in particular work related to the future designation of (a) competent international authority(ies), This group will be co-chaired by Mexico and New Zealand **between the first and second Meeting of States Parties.**
- f. that the informal working groups will be open to participation of all States parties, with the involvement of the International Committee of the Red Cross, the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons, the Secretariat, and relevant international organisations as observers. **The Co-Chairs may invite** interested Signatory States and additional experts and civil society partners, as well as other relevant stakeholders, **to participate as observers,** in line with the guiding principles of **transparency and inclusivity** and the substantive requirements of the respective informal working groups. **The Co-Chairs will communicate to States Parties such proposed observers in advance of the meeting.**
- g. that the informal working groups will meet on a regular basis, using virtual or hybrid means ~~wherever possible~~. **The Co-Chairs will identify the location of any in-person meeting with a view to maximising participation.**
- h. that the purpose of the informal working groups is to coordinate efforts regarding the implementation of the Treaty and decisions and actions agreed by the Meeting of States Parties, to exchange information and to develop recommendations to be considered at future Meetings of States Parties and Review Conferences;
- i. that the co-chairs of the informal working groups, the informal facilitator, the gender focal point, as well as the co-chairs of the Scientific Advisory Group will submit regular reports to the Coordination Committee and submit a written report on their activities to each meeting of States Parties;

- j. that the President will inform State Parties on a regular basis, in writing and/or through informal in-person or virtual meetings of the activities undertaken by the Coordination Committee.
 - k. To appoint Ireland as an informal facilitator to further explore and articulate possible areas of tangible cooperation between the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons and the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons, and other relevant nuclear disarmament and non-proliferation instruments, during the period between the first meeting of States Parties and the second meeting of States Parties. The informal facilitator will submit recommendations for distribution through the Coordination Committee, as appropriate, and report to the second meeting of States Parties;
 - l. The Meeting of States Parties further decides to appoint Chile as Gender Focal Point to work during the intersessional period to support the implementation of the gender provisions of the Treaty and report on progress made to the second Meeting of States Parties.
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