

Algeria
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Thank you Mr. President.

And since this is the first time I am taking the floor under your presidency let me please address to you my warmest congratulations and also say how grateful I am by the very constructed role played by your predecessor, the ambassador of Brazil. I am sure that you will carry the flame forward and that we will be able to achieve progress.

It was interesting, in the two presentations made this morning, to note that it seems to be, it is in fact in the outside world a lot of positive movement in the field of disarmament. The problem is that the CD is not moving in pace so this certainly emphasis, particularly by the Foreign Minister of Bulgaria. But again the evolution presented by Mr. Rose on the evolution on the United States policy in this regard is also interesting. This is a happy day for Algeria, because in addition to such developments we have just launched today, with cooperation of India, a new satellite in context of safe-guard operation. I wanted to point out this in particular.

My question to Ambassador Rose relates to his reference to the amendment under the agenda item known as PAROS. He kindly referred to the proposal that my country made last year in May 2009, which was further elaborated by my eminent successors and in particularly the last version by the ambassador of Brazil. But his mention of this mandate defers somewhat from what is in fact in the mandate. Ambassador Rose refers to the inclusion of a non-negotiating or discussing mandate in any CD programme of work and in the agenda item called PAROS. Now if you look at that document CD/1889, paragraph 1c, on the same subject Prevention of an Arms Race in Outer Space, the mandate is to discuss substantively without limitation, not excluding the possibility of multilateral negotiations in the conference on all issues related to the prevention! of an arms race in outer space. So should we interpret this formulation expressed by Ambassador Rose as expressing dissent with this formulation as put forward in paragraph c of operative paragraph 1?

Thank you Mr. President.