# 2015 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons

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# **Draft report of Main Committee III**

#### Establishment and terms of reference

1. Under rule 34 of its rules of procedure, the Conference established Main Committee III as one of its three Main Committees and decided to allocate to it the following items for its consideration (see document NPT/CONF.2015/1).

Item 16. Review of the operation of the Treaty, as provided for in its article VIII, paragraph 3, taking into account the decisions and the resolution adopted by the 1995 Review and Extension Conference, the Final Document of the 2000 Review Conference and the conclusions and recommendations for follow-on actions of the 2010 Review Conference:

- (d) Implementation of the provisions of the Treaty relating to the inalienable right of all parties to the Treaty to develop research, production and use of nuclear energy for peaceful purposes without discrimination and in conformity with articles I and II:
  - (i) Articles III, paragraph 3, and IV, preambular paragraphs 6 and 7, especially in their relationship to article III, paragraphs 1, 2 and 4, and preambular paragraphs 4 and 5;
  - (ii) Article V;
- (e) Other provisions of the Treaty.

Item 17. Role of the Treaty in the promotion of non-proliferation of nuclear weapons and of nuclear disarmament in strengthening international peace and security, and measures aimed at strengthening the implementation of the Treaty and achieving its universality.

2. Pursuant to rule 34 of its rules of procedure, the Conference also approved the establishment of Subsidiary Body 3 under Main Committee III to address "Peaceful uses of nuclear energy and other provisions of the treaty; and improving the effectiveness of the strengthened review process." The Conference also decided that the Subsidiary Body would be open-ended and that the meetings of the Subsidiary Body would be held in private. It further decided that Subsidiary Body 3 would hold at least four meetings within the overall time allocated to the Main Committee and

that the outcome of its work would be reflected in the report of Main Committee III to the Conference (see document NPT/CONF.2015/DEC.2).

## Officers of the Committee

- 3. The Conference unanimously elected Ambassador David Stuart (Australia) as the Chairman of the Committee and Ambassador Julio Bravo (Chile) and Mr. Kanat Tumysh (Kazakhstan) as Vice-Chairmen.
- 4. Subsidiary Body 3 was chaired by Ambassador Kairat Abdrakhmanov (Kazakhstan).

#### Documents before Main Committee III

- 5. The Committee had before it the following documents:
  - (a) Background and conference papers

| NPT/CONF.2015/1  | Final report of the Preparatory Committee for<br>the 2015 Review Conference of the Parties to<br>the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear<br>Weapons  |
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| NPT/CONF.2015/2  | Activities of the African Commission on<br>Nuclear Energy: Memorandum of the African<br>Union Commission  |
| NPT/CONF.2015/3  | Implementation of the action plan of the 2010<br>Review Conference of the Parties to the<br>Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear<br>Weapons and previous Review Conference<br>outcomes (Report submitted by Portugal) |
| NPT/CONF.2015/5  | Memorandum of the Agency for the<br>Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin<br>America and the Caribbean  |
| NPT/CONF.2015/9  | Implementation of the conclusions and recommendations for follow-on actions of the 2010 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons: Report submitted by Ireland             |
| NPT/CONF.2015/10 | Report submitted by France under actions 5, 20 and 21 of the Final Document of the 2010 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons  |
| NPT/CONF.2015/11 | Implementation of the action plan of the 2010<br>Review Conference of the Parties to the<br>Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear  |

|                        | Weapons Report submitted by Finland  |
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| NPT/CONF.2015/12       | Report on the activities of Australia in support<br>of the implementation of the action plan of the<br>2010 Review Conference of the Parties to the<br>Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear<br>Weapons                               |
| NPT/CONF.2015/13       | Activities of the International Atomic Energy<br>Agency relevant to article III of the Treaty on<br>the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons:<br>Background paper prepared by the Secretariat<br>of the International Atomic Energy Agency |
| NPT/CONF.2015/14       | Activities of the International Atomic Energy<br>Agency relevant to article IV of the Treaty on<br>the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons:<br>Background paper prepared by the Secretariat<br>of the International Atomic Energy Agency  |
| NPT/CONF.2015/15       | Implementation of the Treaty on the Non-<br>Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons: report<br>submitted by Cuba  |
| NPT/CONF.2015/16*      | Tenth Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons: Report submitted by Chile  |
| NPT/CONF.2015/17       | Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty: National report submitted by New Zealand   |
| NPT/CONF.2015/21       | Substantive matters before the Conference of<br>the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-<br>Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons: Paper<br>submitted by the Syrian Arab Republic  |
| NPT/CONF.2015/22/Rev.1 | Implementation of the action plan of the 2010<br>Review Conference of the Parties to the<br>Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear<br>Weapons: Report submitted by Switzerland   |
| NPT/CONF.2015/25       | Implementation of the Treaty on the Non-<br>Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons: Report<br>submitted by Poland  |
| NPT/CONF.2015/26       | Implementation of the Treaty on the Non-<br>Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons and<br>paragraph 4 (c) of the 1995 Decision on<br>Principles and Objectives for Nuclear Non-<br>Proliferation and Disarmament: Report<br>submitted by Morocco |
| NPT/CONF.2015/27       | Report on the implementation of the action<br>plan adopted by the 2010 Review Conference<br>of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-<br>Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons: Submitted  |

|                  | by Romania   |
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| NPT/CONF.2015/28 | Implementation of the conclusions and recommendations for follow-on actions of the 2010 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons: Summary update to the reports submitted by Austria |
| NPT/CONF.2015/29 | The United Kingdom of Great Britain and<br>Northern Ireland's National Report Pursuant<br>to Actions 5, 20, and 21 of the NPT Review<br>Conference Final Document 4 February 2015  |
| NPT/CONF.2015/30 | National implementation of the action plan of<br>the 2010 Review Conference of the Parties to<br>the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear<br>Weapons: Report submitted by Brazil   |
| NPT/CONF.2015/31 | Implementation of the Treaty on the Non-<br>Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons: Report<br>submitted by Brazil  |
| NPT/CONF.2015/32 | Implementation of the Treaty on the Non-<br>Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons in the<br>People's Republic of China: Report submitted<br>by China  |
| NPT/CONF.2015/33 | Implementation of the action plan of the 2010 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons and previous Review Conference outcomes: Report submitted by the Netherlands                  |
| NPT/CONF.2015/34 | Implementation of the Action Plan Agreed at<br>the 2010 Review Conference of the Treaty on<br>the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons:<br>Report by Canada  |
| NPT/CONF.2015/38 | Report of the United States of America<br>Pursuant to Actions 5, 20, and 21 of the NPT<br>Review Conference Final Document   |
| NPT/CONF.2015/39 | Implementation of the action plan of the 2010<br>Review Conference of the Parties to the<br>Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear<br>Weapons: Report submitted by Belgium   |
| NPT/CONF.2015/42 | Mise en œuvre du Traité sur la non-<br>prolifération des armes nucléaires: Rapport de<br>l'Algérie à la Conférence des Parties chargée<br>d'examiner le Traité sur la non-prolifération<br>des armes nucléaires de 2015                |

NPT/CONF.2015/44

Implementation of the conclusions and recommendations for follow-on actions agreed to during the 2010 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons: National report by South Africa

NPT/CONF.2015/WP.1

Addressing "Vienna issues": the
Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty,
compliance and verification, export controls,
cooperation in the peaceful uses of nuclear
energy, nuclear safety, nuclear security and
withdrawal from the Non-Proliferation Treaty:
Working paper submitted by Australia,
Austria, Canada, Denmark, Finland, Hungary,
Ireland, the Netherlands, New Zealand,
Norway and Sweden ("the Vienna Group of
Ten")

NPT/CONF.2015/WP.5

The inalienable right to develop research, production and uses of nuclear energy for peaceful purposes: Working paper submitted by the Group of Non-Aligned States Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons

NPT/CONF.2015/WP.10

The international efforts of France to secure radioactive sources: Working paper submitted by France

NPT/CONF.2015/WP.11

Support for the development of a global civil nuclear liability regime: Working paper submitted by France

NPT/CONF.2015/WP.12

Preparedness and response to nuclear and radiological emergencies: Working paper submitted by France

NPT/CONF.2015/WP.16

Recommendations for consideration by the 2015 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons: Joint working paper submitted by the members of the Non-Proliferation and Disarmament Initiative (Australia, Canada, Chile, Germany, Japan, Mexico, Netherlands, Nigeria, Philippines, Poland, Turkey and the United Arab Emirates)

NPT/CONF.2015/WP.17

Transparency by non-nuclear-weapon States parties: Joint working paper submitted by the members of the Non-Proliferation and Disarmament Initiative (Australia, Canada, Chile, Germany, Japan, Mexico, Nigeria, Netherlands, Philippines, Poland, Turkey and

United Arab Emirates)

NPT/CONF.2015/WP.18 Enhancement of peaceful uses of nuclear

science and technology: Working paper

submitted by Japan

NPT/CONF.2015/WP.20 Multilateral nuclear supply principles of the

Zangger Committee: Working paper submitted by Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belarus, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, China, Croatia, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Kazakhstan, the Republic of Korea, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, the Russian Federation, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, Ukraine, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America as members of the

Zangger Committee

NPT/CONF.2015/WP.24 Substantive recommendations for

incorporation into the final document of the 2015 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons: Working paper submitted by the Group of Non-Aligned States Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear

Weapons

NPT/CONF.2015/WP.32 Transparency, Reporting and Strengthening

the Review Process: Working paper submitted

by Japan

NPT/CONF.2015/WP.34 Disarmament and the peaceful uses of nuclear

energy and nuclear non-proliferation: Working paper submitted by Bahrain on behalf of the Member States of the League of Arab States

NPT/CONF.2015/WP.35 Capacity-Building Initiative: An informal

group to support capacity-building

networking, in the frame of the International Atomic Energy Agency: Working paper

submitted by France and Romania

NPT/CONF.2015/WP.36

Comprehensive implementation of the Treaty

on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons and active promotion of global nuclear governance: Working paper submitted by

China

NPT/CONF.2015/WP.38 Peaceful use of nuclear energy: Working paper

submitted by Egypt

NPT/CONF.2015/WP.43 The inalienable right to develop research,

production and uses of nuclear energy for peaceful purposes: Working paper submitted

by the Islamic Republic of Iran

NPT/CONF.2015/WP.46 Implementing the Treaty on the Non-

Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons: peaceful uses of nuclear energy: Working paper submitted by the United States of America

NPT/CONF.2015/WP.47 Addressing withdrawal from the Treaty on the

Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons:
Working paper submitted by Armenia,
Australia, Austria, Belarus, Belgium,
Bulgaria, Canada, China, Croatia, Cyprus,
Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland,
France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary,
Ireland, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Lithuania,
Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Norway,
Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea,
Romania, Russian Federation, Slovakia,
Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, United Kingdom of
Great Britain and Northern Ireland and United

States of America

NPT/CONF.2015/WP.51 The right to peaceful uses of nuclear energy:

Working paper submitted by Algeria

# (b) Documents submitted to Main Committee III

NPT/CONF.2015/MC.III/WP.1 Working Paper of the Chair of Subsidiary

Body 3

NPT/CONF.2015/MC.III/CRP.1/Rev.3 Draft Chairman's working paper: Main

Committee III

NPT/CONF.2015/MC.III/CRP.2 Proposals of NAM States parties as of 12 May

NPT/CONF.2015/MC.III/CRP.3 Proposals of the Iranian Delegation as of 12

May

NPT/CONF.2015/MC.III/CRP.5 NAM's comments: Revised Draft Chairman's

working paper: Main Committee III

NPT/CONF.2015/MC.III/CRP.6 Iran's proposals on the revised draft

Chairman's working paper: Main Committee

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NPT/CONF.2015/MC.III/INF/1 Draft programme of work: 4-22 May 2015 —

Main Committee III and Subsidiary Body 3

NPT/CONF.2015/MC.III/INF/1/Rev.1

Revised Draft programme of work: 4-22 May

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Body 3

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Draft Indicative Timetable: Main Committee III and Subsidiary Body 3

#### (c) Documents submitted to Subsidiary Body 3

NPT/CONF.2015/MC.III/SB.3/CRP.1

Subsidiary Body 3: Draft Chairman's

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NPT/CONF.2015/MC.III/SB.3/CRP.2

Iran's proposals

## Work of the Committee

6. The Committee held 10 meetings and the Subsidiary Body held 4 meetings from 4 to [18] May 2015. An account of the discussions is contained in the relevant summary records (NPT/CONF.2015/MC.III/SR\_\_\_). As the meetings of Subsidiary Body 3 were closed meetings, there are no official records of those meetings. After a general exchange of views and an item-by-item consideration of the agenda items allocated to it, the Committee proceeded to consider the proposals and documents submitted to the Committee and listed in paragraph 5 above. The various views expressed and the proposals made are reflected in the summary records of the Committee and in the working papers submitted to it. Those summary records and working papers form an integral part of the report of the Committee to the Conference.

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