Agenda Item 10 - Updates on Logistical and Administrative Matters

I. Background

• Mozambique: a symbol of the this time in the life of the convention and the need to commit to complete.
• The Maputo Review Conference will be a chance to return to the site of the 1st MSP to anlaysis the progress achieved in 15yrs of implementation and formulate plans to address the remaining challenges.
I. Background (cont)

- The 3rd Review Conference will take place in Maputo at the Girassol Hotel ‘Indy Village’ from 23 to 27 June 2014.

- Participation will be aimed at Ministerial level and formal invitations will be sent out shortly.

II. Venue
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III. Hotels and Local Transport

• All Recommended Hotels will have pre-arranged transport for Conference Delegates. All information on recommended hotels will be available on the Conference Website

• Block-bookings and special rates are being negotiated for Conference Delegates at the Girassol Indy village and the following Hotels:
  – Hotel Polana, Hotel Avenida, Hotel VIP Maputo, Hotel Cardoso, Hotel Radisson, Hotel Southern Sun, Hotel Terminus and Hotel Indy Village.
IV. Registration Process

- Registration will be a 2-step Process:
  - Step 1: Online Registration: all delegates register online to provide basic information and travel itinerary.
  - Step 2: A formal letter with the names of nominated delegates shall be submitted to the UNODA.

- Once both registration steps are completed the Mozambican Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation will provide a invitation letter for each delegate confirming they will receive a gratis visa upon arrival in Mozambique.

- Delegates nominated for sponsorship will submit a formal letter from their Permanent Mission of Ministry of Foreign Affairs to the ISU.

V. Conference Website
Mr. President,

Thank you for allowing us to take the floor. Allow me to provide a brief update on logistics and administrative matters regarding the preparations for the Maputo Review Conference.

First, I would like to ensure you that our team in Maputo is working hard with various partners to prepare for the Review Conference. The Maputo Review Conference will be a chance to return to the site of the 1st Meeting of States Parties at an important milestone in the life of the convention. We will spare no effort to ensure the appropriate environment to enable the States Parties to analyse the progress achieved in 15yrs of implementation and formulate plans to address the remaining challenges.

As agreed by States Parties, the 3rd Review Conference will take place in Maputo from 23 to 27 June 2014. Participation will be aimed at Ministerial level and formal invitations will be sent out early in the new year.

The Venue selected for the Maputo Review Conference is the Girassol Hotel ‘Indy Village’.

As you can see on the following slides, the Indy Village provides sufficient space for the meeting, including side events and exhibition space.
We have selected a wide choice of recommended hotels in Maputo and block-booked rooms for delegates at special rates. All recommended hotels will have organized transport from the hotels to the conference venue. Transport will also be organized from the airport to the various hotels for arrival and departure of delegates. Information on recommended hotels and booking codes will be available on the conference website.

The Registration Process will be similar to previous meetings of States Parties and Review Conferences. Specifically, we will have a two-step process.

First, all delegates are requested to register online at the conference website. The registration process will start shortly after the formal invitations are dispatched.

Second, all delegations are requested to submit a formal letter with the nominated members of the delegation to the UN Office of Disarmament Affairs.

Once both registration steps are completed the Mozambican Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation will provide an invitation letter for each delegate confirming they will receive a gratis visa upon arrival in Mozambique.

Delegates nominated for sponsorship will submit a formal letter from their Permanent Mission of Ministry of Foreign Affairs to the ISU.

Finally, as you can see the Conference Website is available at www.maputoreviewconference.org. Conference Documents are already available online. In addition, logistical and administrative documents will be posted to the website. After the invitations are dispatched, a link will be provided on the website for the online registration system.

In closing, again I would like to emphasise that Mozambique and our partners will spare no effort to ensure the Maputo Review Conference will be a success. If there are any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.