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We consider that the political Declaration should remain as short and focused a document as possible.

While agreeing that the high ambitions of the Convention and the previous Action Plans should be maintained, we think that future commitments should be based on a realistic assessment of what can actually be achieved and fully implemented in the foreseeable future, to help ensure that the Convention remains a success story.

Finally, Mr. President-Designate, we would like to thank you once again for your proposals and remain ready to further contribute in the period leading up to the Third Review Conference in Maputo.

Thank you Mr. President-Designate.