

**Remarks of the President-Designate regarding the preparation of a programme or work for the  
Maputo Review Conference**

**First Preparatory Meeting – Agenda Item 3**

**6 December 2013**

There are certain things that we expect the Review Conference do. There are certain things that the Review Conference must do. And there are certain things that we desire happen at the Review Conference.

We expect the Review Conference to adopt four main outcome documents.

In addition, let us recall that the Review Conference must consider requests for extended mine clearance deadlines – and five requests are expected. The Review Conference also must consider an ISU work plan and budget and reports.

And we desire that there be high level participation at the Review Conference, which suggests we should have a high level segment.

Therefore, I would propose that we develop a programme with the following elements:

On Monday, June 23rd, we could immediately get down to work discussing the four core outcome documents of the Review Conference. That is, there would be no messages delivered to the meeting at that time and no general exchange of views. During the afternoon session on June 23rd, we could begin with informal presentations of Article 5 extension requests and the analyses of these requests. Time-permitting, we could also return to discussions on the four core outcome documents of the Review Conference.

On Tuesday, June 24th, we could continue discussions on the four core outcome documents of the Review Conference. In addition, we could dedicate time to follow-up on decisions of Meetings of the States Parties which see that we have requested that various States Parties report on specific matters as concerns the implementation of plans in their Article 5 extension requests.

Wednesday, June 25th is a special day in Mozambique. It is our national day. We therefore invite delegations to take part in national day events. In addition, Wednesday, June 25th could be used for side event and experts' workshops.

During the morning session on Thursday, June 26th, we propose that we do the following:

- Approve the ISU's 2015 work plan and budget, and the ISU's reports,
- Formally consider the Article 5 extension requests, and
- Provisionally adopt the final documents of the Review Conference.

At the beginning of the afternoon session on Thursday, June 26th, we will begin a high level segment, which will continue for most of the day on Friday, June 27th. While we would call it a high level segment, this would be the instance when all delegations may address the conference, even if they are not represented at a high level.

Finally, the afternoon of Friday, June 27th would see us conclude the high level segment. We would then formally adopt the final documents and stage a brief closing ceremony.

These are our initial thoughts.