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Mr. Chairman,


While the codification of legally binding negative security assurances is also a topic for discussion at the Conference on Disarmament, it is our view that the best place for this debate would be in the context of the NPT. Negative security assurances would then rightly become a benefit of Treaty membership and there would be no need to categorize States that are not party to the NPT.

Canada supports a legally binding agreement on security assurances. Until we reach that goal, we hope and expect that Nuclear-Weapon States will reaffirm the commitments they have already made.

Thank you.