

Fourth Review Conference of the High Contracting Parties to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects 25 November 2011

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1. Rule 36 of the Rules of Procedure of the Fourth Review Conference of the High Contracting Parties to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects provides that:

“1. There shall be a Drafting Committee composed of representatives of the same States which are represented on the General Committee. It shall coordinate the drafting of and edit all texts referred to it by the Conference or by a Main Committee, without altering the substance of the texts, and report to the Conference or to the Main Committee as appropriate. It shall also, without reopening the substantive discussion on any matter, formulate drafts and give advice on drafting as requested by the Conference or a Main Committee.

2. Representatives of other States may also attend the meetings of the Drafting Committee and may participate in its deliberations when matters of particular concern to them are under discussion.”

2. The Committee held meetings from 24 to 25 November 2011, chaired by Ambassador Fedor Rosocha of Slovakia, Chairperson of the Drafting Committee. Mr. Shen Jian of China served as Vice-Chairperson of the Committee. Mr. Bantan Nugroho, Head of the Implementation Support Unit, served as Secretary of the Committee.

3. The Committee considered the following documents:

- Draft Protocol on Cluster Munitions (CCW/CONF.IV/9/Rev.1);
- Draft Final Document of the Fourth Review Conference of the High Contracting Parties to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects (CCW/CONF.IV/L.1);
- Revised draft Final Document of the Fourth Review Conference of the High Contracting Parties to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects (CCW/CONF.IV/L.1/Rev.1);
- Revised draft Final Document of the Fourth Review Conference of the High Contracting Parties to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of

Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively
Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects (CCW/CONF.IV/L.1/Rev.2).

4. The Committee addressed drafting amendments to the draft documents referred to in paragraph 3. Subsequently, the draft documents were submitted by the Chairperson of the Committee to the Conference.
 5. At its final meeting on 25 November 2011, the Committee adopted its draft report, (CCW/CONF.IV/DC/CRP.1), which is being issued as document CCW/CONF.IV/DC/1.
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