

**Preparatory Committee for the 1995 Conference
of the Parties to the Treaty
on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons**

NPT/CONF.1995/PC.IV/SR.5
3 February 1995
ENGLISH
ORIGINAL: RUSSIAN

Fourth session

SUMMARY RECORD OF THE 5th MEETING (CLOSED)

Held at United Nations Headquarters, New York,
on Wednesday, 25 January 1995, at 10 a.m.

Chairman: Mr. PATOKALLIO (Finland)

CONTENTS

ORGANIZATION OF THE 1995 CONFERENCE (continued)

This record is subject to correction.

Corrections should be submitted in one of the working languages. They should be set forth in a memorandum and also incorporated in a copy of the record. They should be sent within one week of the date of this document to the Chief, Official Records Editing Section, Office of Conference and Support Services, room DC2-794, 2 United Nations Plaza.

Any corrections to the records of the meetings of this session will be consolidated in a single corrigendum, to be issued shortly after the end of the session.

The meeting was called to order at 11.05 a.m.

ORGANIZATION OF THE 1995 CONFERENCE (continued)

Rules of procedure

1. Mr. SIERLA (Finland), Chairman of the informal working group on the draft rules of procedure, said he was pleased to report that the working group had completed the first reading of document NPT/CONF.1995/PC.III/CRP.2, containing the draft rules of procedure, which had been prepared at the previous session of the Preparatory Committee. The group had worked constructively and productively, and most of the issues which remained to be resolved were those which presented the greatest complexity. The agreement reached at the previous session had, in general, been preserved intact; with the exception of one or two insignificant changes, the wording of the draft rules agreed upon earlier had remained intact. In addition, it had been possible to delete a number of footnotes.

2. Overall, a general understanding existed as to the substance of the issues and what should be done. Delegations were now endeavouring to embody that general understanding in concrete formulations. It did not seem appropriate to request the Secretariat to prepare a new draft text at the current stage. Lastly, he was optimistic that the working group would make further progress in the near future.

3. The CHAIRMAN noted with satisfaction that the working group had been able to advance in the consideration of the draft rules of procedure. It was to be hoped that the Committee would be able to finalize the rules of procedure at the current session. It appeared that the group needed more time in order to reach agreement on the text.

The meeting rose at 11.15 a.m.