Thirteenth Annual Conference of the High Contracting Parties to Amended Protocol II 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

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# Summary record of the 2nd meeting

Held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, on Friday, 11 November 2011, at 3 p.m.

President: Mr. Hoffmann ......(Germany)

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The meeting was called to order at 4.05 p.m.

Consideration and adoption of the final document (CCW/AP.II/CONF.13/4 and Corr.1 and CCW/AP.II/CONF.13/5 and Corr.1; CCW/AP.II/CONF.13/CRP.1; non-paper containing amendments thereto, circulated in the meeting room in English only)

1. **The President** drew attention to the draft final document of the Thirteenth Annual Conference of the High Contracting Parties to Amended Protocol II (CCW/AP.II/CONF.13/CRP.1, issued in English only) and to the non-paper containing amendments thereto, and invited the Conference to consider the document chapter by chapter and, where necessary, paragraph by paragraph, before adopting the text as a whole.

Chapter I. Introduction

Paragraphs 1-4

2. Paragraphs 1 to 4 were adopted.

Chapter II. Organization of the Thirteenth Annual Conference

Paragraph 5

3. Paragraph 5 was adopted.

Paragraph 6

- 4. **The President** said that, in the second sentence, the words "Ambassador Wang Qun" should be replaced with "Chargé d'Affaires, Mr. Wu Haitao".
- 5. Paragraph 6, as orally amended, was adopted.

Paragraphs 7-14

- 6. **The President** said that the lists of States and representatives of organizations that had participated in the Conference should be amended in accordance with the updated lists contained in the non-paper.
- 7. Paragraphs 7 to 14, as amended, were adopted.

Chapter III. Work of the Thirteenth Annual Conference

Paragraphs 15-17

8. Paragraphs 15 to 17 were adopted.

Paragraphs 18-20

- 9. **The President** said that the following lists should be amended in accordance with the updated lists contained in the non-paper: States and representatives of organizations that had participated in the discussions under agenda items 8 to 10 and on improvised explosive devices; States whose national annual reports had been considered by the Conference; and documents considered by the Conference in the course of its deliberations.
- 10. Paragraphs 18 to 20, as amended, were adopted.

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### Chapter IV. Conclusions and recommendations

Paragraphs 21 and 22

11. Paragraphs 21 and 22 were adopted.

Paragraphs 23 and 24

- 12. **The President** said that a minor editorial change would be made to paragraph 23, and that paragraph 24 should be amended in accordance with the relevant portion of the non-paper, thus incorporating the decisions taken in relation to the operation and status of the Protocol.
- 13. Paragraphs 23 and 24, as amended, were adopted.

Paragraph 25

- 14. **Mr. Vipul** (India) proposed that the paragraph should be amended to read: "The Conference took note of the report by Mr. Reto Wollenmann of Switzerland, Coordinator on improvised explosive devices (IEDs), as contained in document CCW/AP.II/CONF.13/3/Rev.1."
- 15. Paragraph 25, as orally amended, was adopted.

Paragraph 26

- 16. **The President** said that the paragraph should be amended to incorporate the decisions taken on the issue of improvised explosive devices as reflected in the non-paper.
- 17. Paragraph 26, as amended, was adopted.

Paragraph 27

18. Paragraph 27 was adopted.

Paragraph 28

- 19. **The President** said that the Conference had decided to nominate Ambassador Maria Ciobanu of Romania as President-designate of the Fourteenth Annual Conference of the High Contracting Parties, to be held in 2012, and representatives of China, India and the Netherlands as Vice-Presidents-designate. If he heard no objection, he would take it that the Conference wished to accept those nominations and to amend the paragraph accordingly.
- 20. It was so decided.
- 21. Paragraph 28, as amended, was adopted.

Paragraph 29

22. Paragraph 29 was adopted.

Paragraph 30

23. **The President** said that it was his understanding that the Conference had agreed that the work of the Group of Experts to be considered by the Fourteenth Conference would be conducted with Mr. Jesus Ricardo S. Domingo of the Philippines serving as Coordinator on the operation and status of the Protocol and Mr. Philip Kimpton of Australia serving as Coordinator on improvised explosive devices. Mr. Kimpton would be assisted by Mr. Reto Wollenmann of Switzerland, as Friend of the Coordinator. Hearing no objections, he took it

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that the Conference wished to proceed along those lines and to amend the paragraph accordingly.

- 24. It was so decided.
- 25. Paragraph 30, as amended, was adopted.

## Paragraph 31

- 26. **The President** said that the paragraph should be amended in accordance with the relevant portion of the non-paper so as to include the appropriate document symbols.
- 27. Paragraph 31, as amended, was adopted.

Annexes I to III

28. Annexes I to III were adopted.

Annex IV

- 29. **The President** drew attention to documents CCW/AP.II/CONF.13/5 and Corr.1, which set out the estimated costs of the Fourteenth Annual Conference.
- 30. The text of documents CCW/AP.II/CONF.13/5 and Corr.1, which would be incorporated in annex IV of the final document, was adopted.

Annex V

- 31. **The President** drew attention to documents CCW/AP.II/CONF.13/4 and Corr.1, which set out the estimated costs of the 2012 Group of Experts.
- 32. The text of documents CCW/AP.II/CONF.13/4 and Corr.1, which would be incorporated in annex V of the final document, was adopted.

Annex VI

- 33. **The President** drew attention to a non-paper containing a list of States which had notified the Depositary of their consent to be bound by amended Protocol II. As at 11 November 2011, 97 States had done so.
- 34. The list of States, which would be incorporated in annex VI of the final document, was adopted.

Annex VII

- 35. **The President** drew attention to a non-paper containing a synopsis of national annual reports submitted for the Thirteenth Annual Conference.
- 36. The synopsis of national annual reports, which would be incorporated in annex VII of the final document, was adopted.
- 37. The draft final document of the Thirteenth Annual Conference of the High Contracting Parties to Amended Protocol II as a whole, as amended, was adopted.

### **Closure of the Conference**

38. After thanking all the delegations, the secretariat and the conference services for their contributions, **the President** declared the Thirteenth Annual Conference of the High Contracting Parties to Amended Protocol II closed.

The meeting rose at 4.25 p.m.

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