

**MINE BAN TREATY – STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS, MAY
2002**
**STATEMENT BY BRAZIL – PREPARATIONS FOR THE REVIEW
CONFERENCE**

In its intervention on the Intersessional Programme of Work, Brazil underlined that it is very important that States Parties be careful not to mix the Mine Ban Treaty's informal and the informal frameworks. Informality for us refers not only to the manner States parties work, but also to what they discuss. Brazil thus associates itself with what was said by the delegation of Japan on the organizations aspects of the preparations of the Review Conference. The preparations of the Review Conference – including the discussion and considerations of presidency, venue, agenda, organization of work etc – might take place in the formal framework of the Convention, under the United Nations auspices.