STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE GENERAL STATUS AND OPERATION OF THE MINE BAN TREATY

Intervention

on registration and other arrangements for 10MSP **Friday, 25 June 2010**

Excellencies, distinguished colleagues, ladies and gentlemen

I would like to advise you on the issue of registration and other arrangements for the 10MSP.

You will recall that last year at the Cartagena Summit the States parties decided "[...] to hold the Tenth Meeting of the States Parties in Geneva the week of 29 November to 3 December 2010", as contained in paragraph 30 (iii) of the Review conference's report (APLC/CONF/2009/9). Pursuant to the provisions of Article 11 (1), the relevant decision of the Second Review Conference, and the established practice, the Secretary–General of the United Nations has already circulated a formal invitation to all APLC States Parties as well as the observers to attend the Tenth Meeting. Copies of the note verbale by the UN Secretary–General in E, F and S (blank addressee) are available on the APLC website, as well as outside the Conference room.

The Tenth Meeting will take place in conference room XVIII of UNOG. Additional conference rooms (XXIV, XXV, and XXVII) will be at our disposal for side events. Adequate exhibition space will also be provided.

I would like to remind all delegations that no formal credentials are required for this Meeting. However, delegations of States Parties and observer States, as well as the international organizations are requested to notify the Executive Secretary by **19 November 2010** the names and titles of all their official representatives as well as indicating the Head of Delegation. This information will be reflected in the List of Participants, to be issued as part of the official documents of the 10MSP.

Copies of the UNSG invitation, together with the registration form for the above Meeting will be circulated in due time. The registration form will be also available on the UNODA web page. This latter form, duly filled out by <u>all the participants not accredited to UNOG</u>, shall be returned to the Executive Secretary of the Meeting by **Friday**, **19 November 2010** at the following address:

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Security identification badges for your representatives **not based in Geneva** will be prepared on the basis of the notification and the information contained in the registration forms.

Finally, in accordance with the established practice, member organizations of the International Campaign to Ban Landmines (ICBL) that wish to take part in the Tenth Meeting of the States Parties should contact the Executive Director of ICBL who will collect the necessary information and forward it to the Executive Secretary.

Thank you for your attention.