

**Statement by the Delegation of Thailand
Intersessional Meetings, Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Convention
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Agenda 7a: Matters related to the mandate of the President: Universalization

Madam President,

The Convention strengthens peace and prosperity around the world, but, the promise of the Convention will only be completely fulfilled when all of the states still outside join it, and when a mine-free world is achieved.

Universalization of the treaty and its norm should remain an important priority for us all. Thailand attaches importance to promote universalization in particular in Asia.

Madam President,

It is time for all States Parties to reflect on their strategies and actions for universal adherence. It is time for all of us to think of creative actions, effective ways and stronger political support for universalization.

Thank you.

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