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SUBJECT: Documentation for the NPT Review Conference

The United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs presents its compliments to the Permanent Missions of the States Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT) to the United Nations in New York and has the honour to refer to its notes verbales dated 30 March and 26 August 2020 regarding documentation and the changes to deadlines for the Tenth NPT Review Conference.

The Secretariat will continue the processing of documentation, including national reports and working papers. In light of the request by the President-designate of the Review Conference to book the dates of 4 to 28 January 2022 for the Review Conference, States Parties are requested to submit any documentation for issuance in advance of the Review Conference no later than 5 November 2021. Further information will be contained in document NPT/Conf.2020/INF/1/Rev.1, to be issued after the confirmation of the dates of the Review Conference in October 2021.

States Parties are requested to submit documents in Microsoft Word format to Gunther Pointner (pointner@un.org), with a copy to Rene Holbach (holbach@un.org) and Lucia Andaya (andaya@un.org). Documents already submitted to the Secretariat will be processed and issued in due course.

The United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs would like to recall that, pursuant to the guidelines of the General Assembly on the submission of documents, in particular Assembly resolutions 52/214, 53/208 and 59/265, documents submitted by States Parties must not exceed 20 pages (10,700 words). However, it is strongly recommended that documents not exceed five pages (2,650 words), to reduce costs, facilitate translation, and ensure timely issuance.

As noted in the notes verbales to States Parties dated 30 March and 26 August 2020, the issuance of revised versions of documents to reflect possible new developments during the period leading to the rescheduled Review Conference will have financial implications.

The United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Permanent Missions of the States Parties to the NPT to the United Nations in New York the assurances of its highest consideration.

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