Disarmament Commission
Substantive session of 2015
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Draft report of Working Group I on agenda item 4

1. At its 347th plenary meeting, on 7 April 2015, the Disarmament Commission adopted the provisional agenda for its substantive session of 2015 (A/CN.10/L.74/Rev.1) and decided to allocate to Working Group I agenda item 4, entitled “Recommendations for achieving the objective of nuclear disarmament and non-proliferation of nuclear weapons”. The Commission also decided that the agenda should serve for the period 2015-2017. At its 348th meeting, on 7 April, the Commission elected Kairat Abdrakhmanov (Kazakhstan) as Chair of Working Group I.

2. Working Group I held nine meetings, from 9 to 22 April 2015. The Disarmament and Peace Affairs Branch of the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management served as the secretariat of the Working Group. The Office for Disarmament Affairs served as adviser to the Working Group.

3. The Working Group held extensive, though not exhaustive, discussions on agenda item 4.

4. At the 1st meeting, on 9 April 2015, the Chair circulated an indicative list of issues and sub-issues that was discussed at the 1st and 2nd meetings.

5. At the 3rd and 4th meetings, on 14 April 2015, delegations exchanged views and made various proposals on the Chair’s non-paper dated 11 April 2015.

6. At the 5th and 6th meetings, on 16 April 2015, delegations exchanged views and made various proposals on the Chair’s revised non-paper dated 15 April 2015.

7. At the 7th and 8th meetings, on 20 April 2015, delegations exchanged views and made various proposals on the Chair’s revised non-paper dated 17 April 2015.

8. At the 9th meeting, on 22 April 2015, delegations exchanged views and made various proposals on the Chair’s revised non-paper dated 21 April 2015.

9. Following discussions by the Group, the Chair decided to circulate under his own responsibility and without prejudice to the position of any delegation, a revised Chair’s non-paper (A/CN.10/2015/WG.I/CRP.1), which, in his view, could form a basis for further discussion at future substantive sessions of the Commission. The
Working Group encouraged the Chair to continue, during the inter-sessional period, informal consultations on the agenda item.

10. The Working Group expressed its appreciation to the Chair and the Secretariat.

11. Also at its 9th meeting, on 22 April 2015, the Working Group considered and adopted by consensus its report on agenda item 4. It also decided to make the non-paper (A.CN.10/2015/WG.I/CRP.1) available to the Commission at its substantive session of 2016.