The meeting was called to order at 10.25 a.m.

Adoption of the provisional agenda for the 2015-2017 substantive sessions of the Disarmament Commission

The Chair: Based on yesterday’s consultations — on the Chair’s informal paper in particular — in both the morning and afternoon sessions, in both multilateral and bilateral formats, in the room and outside the room, the Chair has formed the opinion that the only way for the Commission to come together on an agenda for its 2015 substantive session is to preserve the agenda items from the previous cycles, on the understanding that consultations will continue and keeping in mind the proposal to include a third item as mandated in paragraph 5 of resolution 69/77. In view of the foregoing, I would like to propose the following items for the agenda of the substantive session.

The first agenda item would be “Recommendations for achieving the objective of nuclear disarmament and the non-proliferation of nuclear weapons”. The second agenda item would be “Practical confidence-building measures in the field of conventional weapons”. I would very much appreciate hearing delegations’ reactions to this proposal.

Ms. Benhabouche (Algeria) (spoke in French): I would like to ask a question, if I may. Yesterday, we received a non-paper containing proposals that the Chair circulated for the purposes of consultations with a view to obtaining delegations’ reactions to them. Today, I see that there is a new document being circulated for the same purposes. I would just like to know whether the latter document replaces the former, on the basis of which we were going to have consultations today, or is it a complement to that first document?

The Chair (spoke in French): Following our discussions last night, we drew certain conclusions, and in order to make progress, the Chair is proposing what he just proposed.

Mr. Robatjazi (Islamic Republic of Iran): I thank you, Mr. Chair, for the new informal paper II. This is a proposal that will get us closer to a consensus. I would like to propose that we adjourn the formal meeting and go into an informal meeting in order to have a discussion on your proposal, Mr. Chair, since you have invited delegations to react to the package that you proposed.

The Chair: I put to a decision the Iranian proposal to adjourn the formal meeting and open an informal meeting.

There being no objection to the proposal, let us adjourn the formal meeting and have an informal meeting.

The meeting rose at 10.35 a.m.