
Meeting of the High Contracting Parties to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects

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Organization of work, including that of any subsidiary body of the Meeting

Provisional programme of work and annotations

Submitted by the Chairperson-elect*

Wednesday, 11 November 2020

10:00 – 13:00

Opening of the Meeting by the Chairperson-elect (agenda item 1).

Confirmation of the election of the Chairperson of the Meeting; Adoption of the agenda (CCW/MSP/2020/1); Confirmation of the rules of procedure; Confirmation of the nomination of the Secretary-General of the Meeting; Organization of work, including that of any subsidiary body of the Meeting (agenda items 2 to 5).

General exchange of views (agenda item 6). *The High Contracting parties, signatory States, observer States and organizations participating in the meeting are invited to present general statements that do not address any specific issues that will be addressed under other agenda items. Delegations are invited to limit their statements to a maximum of three minutes.*

15:00 – 18:00

Financial issues related to the Convention and its annexed Protocols (agenda item 8). *Delegations are invited to discuss the Chairperson's proposal of financial measures to address the structural and cash-flow related issues and the stability of ISU support to the Convention. Under this agenda item, the Secretariat will also present the status of contributions and financial outlook of the Convention as well as the cost estimates for the 2020/2021 activities of the Convention.*

Issues related to the Implementation Support Unit (agenda item 9). *Delegations are invited to discuss the financial measures proposed by the Chairperson, as it pertains to the Implementation Support Unit.*

* The present report was submitted after the deadline owing to circumstances beyond the submitter's control.

Thursday, 12 November 2020

10:00 – 13:00

Consideration of the report of the Group of Governmental Experts (GGE) related to emerging technologies in the area of lethal autonomous weapons systems (LAWS) (CCW/GGE.1/2019/3) (agenda item 7). *Under this item, the report of the Group of Governmental Experts will be presented. Delegations are invited to present their views on the Report and the way forward.*

Emerging issues in the context of the objectives and purposes of the Convention. (agenda item 10). *Delegations are invited to express their views on relevant developments and how they may be addressed under the Convention, including consideration of working papers submitted under this item.*

15:00 – 18:00

Universalization of the Convention and its annexed Protocols (agenda item 11). *Delegations are invited to share information on activities undertaken to promote the universalization of the Convention as well as any progress in the domestic process of ratification and deposit of instruments of ratification.*

Consideration of the report of the CCW Sponsorship Programme (agenda item 12). *The Coordinator of the Sponsorship Programme will present the report (CCW/MSP/2020/3). Delegations are invited to address any questions that they may have on this issue.*

Status of implementation of and compliance with the Convention and its Protocols (agenda item 13). *The Secretariat will provide an update on the status of reporting on the Convention and its Protocols. Delegations are invited to share any comments that they may have on the issue.*

Friday, 13 November 2020

10:00 – 13:00

Other matters, including the preparation of the Sixth Review Conference expected to take place in 2021 (agenda item 14). *Delegations are invited to discuss issues pertaining to the implementation of the decisions of the 2019 meeting of High Contracting Parties.*

15:00 – 18:00

Consideration and adoption of the final report (agenda item 15). *Delegations are invited to consider and adopt the final report that will include relevant decisions on substantive and procedural issues. Delegations are also invited to adopt the cost estimates for the 2021/2022 activities of the Convention, including the preparation and the organization of the Sixth Review Conference expected to take place in 2021.*

Closing of the Meeting (Agenda item 16).
