

**CANADIAN STATEMENT  
STOCKPILE DESTRUCTION – COMPLIANCE  
2<sup>nd</sup> Review Conference**

Madame President

In the interest of saving time, this will be an abbreviated statement.

As we have all just been reminded, Belarus, Greece and Turkey have not yet fulfilled their obligations under Article 4 of the treaty, and Ukraine will be in the same position soon. We of course know the reasons for Belarus being late and indeed recognized the difficulty of destroying PFM mines in the Nairobi Action Plan and again in the Cartagena Action Plan. .

Canada remains hopeful that Belarus will soon be in a position to commence the destruction of their PFM mines, and to do it as a matter of some urgency.

We also note the progress made Turkey and Greece and urge them to finish the job, in the words of the Convention, *as soon as possible*, as their words today indicated they would.

With millions of stockpiled mines still held by States Parties, and many millions more held by States not party, our job is not finished and we must continue to take steps to ensure these mines can never be placed in the ground.

Thank you Madame President