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Cluster 7: Explanation of Vote After the Vote

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L.37, Agenda Item 96(n)
“Open-ended working group on the fourth special session of the General Assembly devoted to Disarmament”

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Mr. Chairman,

I am taking the floor on behalf of France, the United Kingdom, and the United States to explain our delegations’ abstentions on the decision contained in L.37, entitled “Open-ended working group on the fourth special session of the General Assembly devoted to Disarmament.”

The decision in L.37 is based on the provisions of UNGA resolution 65/66, upon which our three delegations abstained on budgetary and substantive grounds. These reasons remain valid and therefore our delegations decided to maintain our abstention.

Thank you Mr. Chairman.