On behalf of the Royal Government of Bhutan, allow me to express our appreciation to the Government of Mexico for their gracious hospitality and the excellent arrangements made for this important meeting. These past two days have indeed been enriching for my delegation, and we wish to thank all speakers for their highly informative presentations. We express our solidarity with the survivors and victims of nuclear events, and thank them for sharing their moving experiences with us yesterday.

I would also like to place on record our appreciation to UNDP for ensuring that the most vulnerable of states within the international community are able to engage in this important conversation. As a small developing state, we remain acutely aware that, as highlighted by Mme Sekkenes yesterday, due to our vulnerabilities, the impact of any nuclear detonation, intentional or accidental, will have disproportionate effect on low income and developing countries.

It is in this context, that my Government supports that the humanitarian dimension of the consequences of any nuclear catastrophe must remain central to our discussions.

Bhutan remains firm in its commitment to complete nuclear disarmament, leading to the ultimate goal of the total elimination of nuclear weapons in a time bound manner, on a universal and non discriminatory basis.

In conclusion, as we look beyond Nayarit, my delegation welcomes the offer of the Austrian Government to host a follow up conference later this year which will enable us to take the objectives of the Oslo process further.

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