Thank you Mr. Co-Chair,

I would also like to express our gratitude to Government of Mexico and State of Nayarit for organizing and hosting our conference and for their generous hospitality.

As it has been demonstrated by the high attendance of our conference and the substantive and intensive debate we have had during the last two days, the importance of addressing and the devastating humanitarian impact of nuclear weapons in an adequate fashion is generally recognized. This is a logical consequence of the fact that we all share the ultimate goal of living in a world free of nuclear weapons.

While Hungary is not a nuclear weapon state, we nevertheless do our utmost to contribute to the efforts aimed at achieving our common goal through concrete and practical steps. Due to the time constraints, I confine myself to referring only to three of them:

- The first is the comprehensive ban on nuclear tests, a step we consider essential on the road to complete nuclear disarmament. This is why the Foreign Minister of Hungary, together with his Indonesian counterpart has assumed for two years the role of the article XIV. Coordinator of the CTBT entrusted to facilitate the entry into force of the Treaty.

- Another practical step we consider crucial is to stop the production of fissile material used to make nuclear weapons. We were therefore pleased that the United Nations General Assembly established a Group of Government Experts (GGE) to lay the groundwork for an eventual Fissile Material Cut off Treaty (FMCT). As one of the countries having been selected to appoint an expert on the group, Hungary is looking forward to the commencement of the work of the GGE later this year.

- The last area I wanted to refer to is nuclear safety and security. Since this was discussed to some extent in the morning already, I would confine myself to emphasizing that we also attach particular importance to this complex issue. We also try to be at the forefront in this area, as it was illustrated by the fact that the Foreign Minister of Hungary chaired the first ever ministerial level meeting of the IAEA on nuclear security in 2014.

Mr. Co-Chair,

In conclusion, a few words in response to your call to outline our position on the way ahead. It is safe to say that we all share the long-term goal of a world free of nuclear weapons. At the same time, different states have different priorities and perspectives on how to get there. **Hungary is of the view that this has to be a step-by-step, comprehensive process, which fully engages the nuclear weapon states, as well and, at the same time, preserves the integrity of the Nuclear Non-proliferation Treaty (NPT). We have to be very careful not to take any steps that could endanger the success of the next NPT Review Conference to be held in 2015.**

Finally, I would like to welcome the announcement of Austria to host the next conference on the humanitarian impact of nuclear weapons before the end of this year. We were pleased by the comment of the Austrian Co-Chair that they will keep in mind the aforementioned considerations in preparing and hosting the next conference.