The Permanent Missions of Austria, Costa Rica, Indonesia, Ireland, Liechtenstein, Mexico, New Zealand, Nigeria, Peru, San Marino and Thailand to the UN, the International Committee of the Red Cross and the NGO Committee on Disarmament have the pleasure to invite you to a side event on

„Humanitarian Consequences of Nuclear Weapons – existing and emerging dangers“

8 May 13:15-14:30 in CR B

The NPT is deeply rooted in the concern about the catastrophic humanitarian consequences and potential devastation that would be visited upon all mankind through nuclear weapons. These consequences and risks of nuclear weapons have been shown to be far greater than previously understood by the three conferences on the Humanitarian Impact of Nuclear Weapons in Oslo, Nayarit and Vienna. It is important to heed the findings presented at these conferences. Equally it is essential to continue research into this area to gain further clarity both of existing dangers and to correctly evaluate additional dangers stemming from new technologies, such as new weapons systems and developments in the cyber-sphere.

Moderator:
- Ambassador Thomas Hajnoczi, Federal Ministry for Europe, Integration and Foreign Affairs of Austria

Panel:
- Véronique Chirstory / ICRC: presentation of new ICRC campaign, as well as practical field experience with disaster relief by the ICRC
- Matt McKinzie / Natural Resource Defence Council: presentation of the humanitarian consequences related to new weapons systems / low-yield systems
- Samantha Neakrase / Nuclear Threat Initiative: presentation of Cyber vulnerability of nuclear command and control systems