Madam President,

Thank you for giving me the floor.

Allow me first to align myself with the statement delivered by the distinguished Permanent Representative of Myanmar on behalf of ASEAN. We also associate ourselves with the statement delivered by the Ambassador of Austria on behalf of a large number of countries behind the humanitarian pledge.

Madam President,

My delegation would like to express our appreciation to you, your Bureau, the hardworking Chairs of the Main Committees and Subsidiary Bodies and the Secretariat for all of their efforts in this 2015 NPT Review Conference.

Madam President,

The lack of consensus on an outcome document must be a somber reminder for States Parties that we are not doing enough.

Every five years, States Parties must come together to take stock, review implementation of the Treaty and strengthen it. At one level, we may have indeed succeeded, but succeeded in merely engaging in debate. But on nuclear disarmament in particular, we have clearly missed the mark.

My delegation views that the humanitarian initiative represented at this Review Conference, a moment of clarity for an overwhelming majority of non-nuclear weapon states that the responsibility to disarm, rests on both nuclear and non-nuclear weapons states alike. Unfortunately, even if consensus on the document had not blocked, we felt that States Parties were not able to take full advantage of the opportunity to take on that responsibility here. Unfortunately, we were unable to commit, to beginning a process to negotiate a legally binding instrument that would have taken us substantially further in actually realizing a world free of nuclear weapons.

We deeply regret this shortcoming.
Madam President,

Thailand recognizes that all States Parties exerted their maximum efforts in consultations held during the past few weeks. At the same time, we would have appreciated if those consultations embraced a larger portion of the membership, especially at critical moments in discussions on the text.

We were also concerned at the practice of disregarding agreed paragraphs consulted by all concerned States Parties in the text presented at the beginning of this meeting and hope that this will not set a precedent.

Allow me to conclude, Madam President, by reaffirming our commitment to the Treaty and our efforts on all three pillars of the NPT. On nuclear disarmament in particular, we regret the inability of the Conference to bring us closer to agreement on this important issue BUT commit to continue working with those within and beyond our region, both civil society and states, for concrete progress in this regard.

I thank you, Madame President.