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At the outset let me express the deepest condolences of the people and the government of Sri Lanka to the people of Nepal affected by the recent earthquake. The government of Sri Lanka has actively engaged in the international relief efforts in Nepal. We are confident that the traditional resilience of the people of Nepal together with the spirit of solidarity and goodwill of the international community will help the rebuilding efforts of the government of Nepal.

We extend warm felicitations to Ambassador Taouk Feroukhi and members of the Bureau. I'm confident

that Ambassador Feroukhi's commitment to the cause of disarmament and her long experience as

The stalemate cannot continue. Its continuance can only be at the expense of collective security of humanity. New and emerging conflicts have the potential risk of jeopardizing human civilizations.

As a country which has always stood at the forefront of regional and global non-proliferation and disarmament efforts, Sri Lanka believes that the need for achieving a world free of nuclear weapons and

usual approach, convening every five years a review conference in New York and unwinding in between, all that was agreed. We would like to take this opportunity to reassure the global community that Sri Lanka remains committed to striving with all States and other Stakeholders, to make nuclear disarmament realizable and bring peaceful uses of nuclear technology within reach. As with other countries which are party to the NPT, we consider that we have an inalienable right to peaceful use of nuclear technology as

International Convention on the Suppression of Acts of Nuclear Terrorism provides a comprehensive legal

framework to prevent nuclear material falling into unlawful hands.