Statement of the Chairman on first Review Conference (CCM) 2015

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**Dear President:** 

Allow me express my sincere appreciation to the Government and the beloved people of Croatia on conducting this important occasion in this very beautiful Town. And since it is a first time for me to take the floor I would like to congratulate you on assuming the presidency of the first review conference.

Cluster Munitions and anti personnel land mines do pose an unimaginable risk to the lives and limbs of innocent people in the affected countries. It was an excellent wisdom to stop production, use and transfer of those dangerous devices. Wars and battles have never been won through the use of those unforgiving weapons. They always result in killing those who have never been their target. We all agree Ladies and Gentlemen to let the world be completely free from the York of those deadly weapons.

Ladies and Gentlemen, my country South Sudan recognizes the role and efforts which are being under taken by the international community in prohibiting production and the use of cluster bombs. South Sudan as we speak, have not yet joined the convention (the CCM) but the document is now before the Council of Ministers to finalize the process of joining this respectable body after finishing it with the ministry of Defense

National Mine Action Authority Which I Chair is exerting all it could in sensitizing the Government to join the Convention which I think will bear fruits very soon. However, the cabinet has been fully engaged some few weeks ago In peace process which prevented them from attending to other important Government businesses that resulted to the delay of declaration of our membership to the CCM. Please be assured, that South Sudan will join any time from now.

Thank you very much

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