

National Implementation Measures Wednesday 18 April 2012

Ms. Coordinator,

According to the Beirut Progress Report, the main challenge in strengthening national implementation measures for the Convention on Cluster Munitions is to ensure that all States swiftly develop and adopt whatever legislation is required at the National level for the effective implementation of the Convention.

It is important States Parties provide regular updates, as required by Article 9, on all appropriate legal, administrative and other measure to implement the Convention and to suppress any prohibited activity. Form A the Article 7 template form can serve as a mechanism for this purpose.

We welcome the updates shared by States Parties and Signatories in this regard.

The United Nations remains available to assist those countries in need of policy and legal advice for the implementation of Article 9 of the CCM. We appreciate very much the guidance for national legislation provided by ICRC and New Zealand, as well as New Zealand's checklist for Article 9, which we consider to be a very valuable tool.

Thank you Ms. Coordinator