## **Update on the Implementation Support Unit**

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Friends: I will briefly add to what Ambassador Dahinden has said by affirming that we have heard and responded to the call made by 5MSP, by the Co-Chairs, by the Sponsorship Programme and by others that this is the year when active participation by all States Parties matters a great deal.

We stand ready as an important means of support to you to ensure that you can maximize your participation in the Intersessional Work Programme as well as take full advantage of the other information exchange mechanisms available to you.

In addition, I would like to highlight that while the ISU has the greatest amount of contact with those States Parties which have assumed responsibilities as President or Co-Chairs, the Unit is a support that exists for all States Parties.

In this regard, I should mention, for example, that it has been our pleasure to provide assistance with respect to initiatives undertaken since the 5MSP by the Republic of Cyprus host the launch of the process leading to *the Nairobi Summit* and by Romania to organize a regional workshop. And we look forward to supporting a variety of initiatives which many of you are planning in the coming months.

Thank you.