



**CHAIR OF THE
NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT
VIENNA CHAPTER**



**STATEMENT TO BE DELIVERED BY THE DELEGATION OF THE
BOLIVARIAN REPUBLIC OF VENEZUELA, ON BEHALF OF THE NON-
ALIGNED MOVEMENT (NAM), DURING THE CLOSING SESSION OF
THE SECOND SESSION OF THE PREPARATORY COMMITTEE
(PREPCOM2) FOR THE 2020 REVIEW CONFERENCE OF THE TREATY
ON THE NON-PROLIFERATION ON NUCLEAR WEAPONS (NPT)**

Vienna, 02-12 May 2017

Mr. Chairman,

1. On behalf of the Member States of the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) that are Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT), we congratulate the President of the First Preparatory Committee, Ambassador Henk Cor van der Kwast, for his skillful conduction and management of our works during this first preparatory session.
2. We also avail ourselves of this opportunity to express our gratitude for the previous meetings held with the Member States of NAM, in the different Chapters of our Movement, in which he reached out to better understand our positions and keep us informed of the process.

Mr. Chairman,

3. For the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM), it is of great importance that the review of the NPT is successful and that, through it, the three pillars of the Treaty are strengthened in a balanced and non-discriminatory manner, so that we can move decisively forward in nuclear disarmament, in order to achieve a world free of nuclear weapons.
4. This was reaffirmed during the XVII Summit of the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM), held in the Island of Margarita, Venezuela, in September 2016, when the Heads of State or Government expressed their intention to redouble efforts towards eliminating the threat posed to the human species by the existence of weapons of mass destruction, particularly nuclear weapons, as well as their resolve to achieve a world free of these.
5. To conclude, the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) reaffirms its constructive participation and its support in the next Preparatory Committees, as well as in the Review Conference of the NPT, in 2020, in order to contribute towards the success of this review cycle.

I thank you.