

**FIFTH REVIEW CONFERENCE OF THE
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ON THE PROHIBITION OF THE
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Working paper by the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya

Article 1

We propose the following:

1. “Biological and toxin weapons shall never be used in any circumstances.”
2. “The Conference stresses strict compliance with the undertaking provided for in Article 1 never in any circumstances to develop, produce, stockpile or otherwise acquire or retain weapons, equipment, or means of delivery for hostile purposes or in armed conflict, in order to permanently preclude the use thereof.”

Article 14

We propose the following:

1. “The Conference invites peace-loving States to bear their responsibilities for the implementation of the Convention and for making it universal by taking all appropriate measures to urge States which are not parties to the Convention to accede thereto without delay.”

2. “The Conference notes that there are States which have not yet acceded to the Convention, in particular those States with advanced biological capabilities, and that their failure to accede to the Convention shall deprive it of any real effectiveness”.

3. “The Conference appeals to the State Parties that have not participated in the Ad Hoc Group to recall the necessity of taking part in its work.”

**Section concerning the mandate of the Ad Hoc Group established by the
Special Conference of 1994 to strengthen the Convention**

The Libyan delegation makes the following proposal:

1. “The Conference notes with deep regret that the Ad Hoc Group has been unable to complete its work and submit its final report, including a draft protocol to strengthen the provisions of the Convention, to the Fifth Review Conference.”

2. “The Conference affirms the importance of continuing the mandate of the Ad Hoc Group which was agreed upon by the Special Conference providing namely for the establishment of an Ad Hoc Group to draft a legally binding instrument to strengthen the Convention and complete these negotiations from the point where they had stopped, on the basis of the two rolling, composite texts being discussed by the Ad Hoc Group.”

3. “A Special Conference shall be convened to review the work of the Ad Hoc Group and renew its mandate until its work has been completed.”

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