

Intervention by The Representative of The Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan to  
The Conference

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Your Excellency,

Allow me to congratulate the Government of Norway for organizing this important Conference. Today we are meeting to shed the light on the humanitarian impacts of nuclear detonations. The facts we have learned must urge us to work together to rid our world of such lethal weapons. The responsibility also lies on all of us to develop mechanisms to mitigate the impacts of such weapons, starting from prohibiting the production, testing and stockpiling of them. Therefore, and with regard to my region, the Middle East, Jordan has been calling for a Middle East free of weapons of mass destruction. For this purpose, Jordan continues to urge the countries of the Middle East that did not join the NPT to join the treaty. They are also being urged to be transparent and open their nuclear facilities to inspectors of the IAEA. Such measures resemble a corner stone towards a Middle East free of weapons of mass destruction. Jordan has also been calling on countries of the Middle East to further comply with relevant United Nations resolutions on establishment of a nuclear weapon-free zone in the Middle East.

We believe in the urgency to care for the safety and prosperity of our region through prohibiting the production, testing and stockpiling of WMD weapons. Such steps will help prevent any WMD arms race in the region. We also have to have the responsibility in making sure that our environment is protected against such harmful weapons, as well as to make sure that future generations will live in a safe and healthy environment away from dangers of such lethal weapons.

Thank You