

(iii) Statement by Mr. Kojo Yeboah-Asuamah (Ghana) on behalf of the African States

Thank you Mr. President. At the beginning of the Session we asserted that the inauguration of the session was the beginning of hard work.... We appreciate the commitment and dedication with which delegations have approached the work of the Session. On behalf of the African delegations, I would like to first give thanks to God and logically thanks to the Government of India, the Secretary General and the Secretariat for the wonderful arrangements made for the success of this meeting. We cannot also forget the hospitality that has been extended to us, the catering and security arrangements which have been excellent and we are very grateful for it. We must also reiterate our thanks to the briefs that the Secretariat prepared for us. This experience has made us make new friends, we did not only share knowledge but made new friends from our Asian colleagues and so on. We believe that intellectually the Session has been very rewarding in terms of the quality of presentations made and the papers produced by others. Once again on behalf of the African delegations I wish all delegations a happy return to their home capitals. We thank you.