

**Thailand's Intervention**  
**Agenda item 7: Review of the operation and status of the Convention**  
**Cooperation and assistance**  
**28 November 2019**

Mr. President,

First of all, Thailand would like to extend our appreciation to the work done by the Committee on the Enhancement of Cooperation and Assistance over the year, especially on the Individualized Approach and the National Mine Action Platform.

Mr. President,

Although it is State Parties' responsibility to fulfill the obligations under the Convention, the aspiration towards the goal of landmine-free world has become universal. In order to achieve the goal, it is essential to enhance our cooperation and assistance among State Parties as well as stakeholders to ensure the effective implementation of the Convention.

Thailand sees the Individualized Approach as an effective tool in promoting tailored cooperation and assistance, particularly at present where mine-affected States are gearing up their efforts to clear all contaminated areas by 2025. Thailand therefore encourages mine-affected States to consider organizing the Individualized Approach event with the Committee.

In this regard, we are pleased to learn that our neighboring country, Cambodia, is organizing the Individualized Approach event with the Committee during this Review Conference. We stand ready to lend our full support and look forward to enhancing our cooperation especially in mine clearance operation.

In addition, Thailand supports the Committee's effort in drafting the National Mine Action Platform, which represents a significant model for in-country coordination on mine action. Clearly, there is no one-size-fits-all model that works for every country but this document provides a set of crucial considerations for the establishment of national mechanism. We hope that State Parties pay attention to this useful document and be able to apply some of its elements to their existing mine action plans.

Mr. President,

Thailand is committed to implementing our obligations under the Convention and have been active in sharing experiences and good practices with other mine-affected States. Over the years, we received a number of

delegations, both party and non-party, and were able to share our capacity and experience on mine clearance operation as well as our practices on victim assistance. We would like to take this opportunity to extend our invitation to all interested States to visit and exchange views with us in Thailand.

Lastly, as an outgoing member of the Committee on the Enhancement of Cooperation and Assistance, it has been a privilege to serve as a Committee member. We would therefore like to convey our sincere appreciation to all State Parties in entrusting us with this important task. Thailand will continue to support the work of the Committee in fostering and advancing cooperation and assistance.

Thank you.