

The PRESIDENT (translated from French): I thank Mr. Francese. I think this specific mention also appeared in the constructive proposal made by Ambassador Hyltenius - it is true that at no point was the convention referred to in full. I give the floor to the representative of the United Kingdom.

Sir Michael WESTON (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland): It seemed to me that we had not given proper consideration to Ambassador Kamal's proposal, which I thought was very clear and really much simpler than anything else we have come up with.

The PRESIDENT (translated from French): I thank the Ambassador of the United Kingdom. I was ready to do so, but the delegations have been constantly coming to put their names on the list of speakers and keep the debate going. At this stage, before I give the floor to the representative of the Russian Federation, I would like to ask this assembly whether it agrees with what Sir Michael Weston has just said and whether it wishes to adopt the proposal that Ambassador Kamal has just made. Ambassador Ledogar has the floor.

Mr. LEDOGAR (United States of America): I would need to hear it again. It seemed to me there was an important missing element - I would need to hear it again, please.

The PRESIDENT (translated from French): Could Ambassador Kamal re-read the proposal he made?

Mr. KAMAL (Pakistan): My proposal would read as follows:

"73. At its 635th plenary meeting, on 3 September 1992, the Conference adopted the report of the Ad Hoc Committee re-established by the Conference under the agenda item at its 606th plenary meeting (see paragraph 8 above), as well as its appendix. Both the report and the appendix form integral parts of this report. The report reads as follows: [reproduction]. The appendix to the report of the Ad Hoc Committee on Chemical Weapons, which contains the draft text [etc. etc.], is attached as appendix I to this report."

The PRESIDENT (translated from French): I thank Ambassador Kamal - I wasn't able to note everything but I think we are coming closer to the solution. Does the latest reading of the paragraph by Ambassador Kamal dispel the fears of Ambassador Ledogar?

Mr. LEDOGAR (United States of America): It seems to me that the missing element is that which was first identified by our Swedish colleague, namely, when you referred to "and its appendix", the very last part, Ambassador Kamal said "both the report and its appendix from an integral part" - you need to put in there "both the report and its appendix containing the draft convention", etc. The words "containing the draft convention" are necessary as Ambassador Hyltenius pointed out so that the next thought in the second sentence of paragraph 74 will make sense when we come to it.