

5. The UN ought to take advantage of national governmental and non-governmental organization expertise in the planning and implementation of all UN disarmament activities.

The final document of UNSSOD I called upon Member states to expand their efforts in the field of research, education and the dissemination of information concerning disarmament. Canada has responded to this call on a number of fronts, and our experience over the past decade suggests the continuing value and long-term benefits to be gained from such an investment of time and resources. We gladly welcome the opportunity to hear and contribute to other constructive proposals on this agenda item.

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