

(Mr. Batsanov, Russian Federation)

agreements such as the NPT, the BW convention and the future convention on the prohibition of chemical weapons. And although in this paragraph the views of individual delegations are set forth, I would nevertheless take the risk of proposing that the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons should be given its correct name.

(continued in English)

I would suggest that the name of the non-proliferation Treaty is spelt correctly here, that is, the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons, that the title of the biological weapons Convention is put correctly, especially since we use capital letters here, which I think invites the use of the proper name of this Convention. And if possible as well the future convention on the prohibition of - as we agreed - the development, production, stockpiling, etc. In short, my proposal is to use correct names of the treaties and conventions mentioned in this paragraph.

The PRESIDENT (translated from French): The representative of the Russian Federation is quite right, but I plead indulgence for the secretariat personnel, who, as you know, have been subjected to great nervous strain for the past three weeks, if not more - the simultaneous production of the overall report of the Conference and the report of the Ad Hoc Committee on Chemical Weapons was certainly no picnic. Having said that, Ambassador Batsanov's request will be complied with: in the matter of conventions or treaties, it goes without saying that they must be mentioned using their correct titles.

... We have thus concluded our reading of document CD/WP.428/Rev.1, which contains the various sections of the annual report of the Conference to the General Assembly. It remains for us to adopt this report with the amendments that have been made. We must now return to section D on chemical weapons and the problem raised by the representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran. Has the situation changed while we were examining the other sections of the annual report? Would Mr. Mashhadi have good news to announce to us? I give him the floor.

Mr. MASHHADI (Islamic Republic of Iran): The paper is being typed, and by the time it arrives here we can resume the meeting, so my previous request is valid, that we go for a recess, a suspension, and by the time that the paper is typed up and brought here then we can resume our meeting.

The PRESIDENT (translated from French): We are all impatient to acquaint ourselves with this text. In fact I do not know whether it will be submitted to the Conference as an official document, since it is an internal matter for