

Government Consultations with Civil Society on Issues Related to International Security, Nuclear Weapons and Other Weapons of Mass Destruction and their Delivery Systems

IDD Scenario for the Opening Session 0900-1015 hrs, Robertson Room, DFAIT

You will chair the opening session where MJW will make a presentation to be followed by a question and answer period.

There are four distinct groups represented at these consultations. Academics, NGOs, government officials, and youth (the recipients of the Simon's Centre/DFAIT graduate research awards.) This is the second set of consultations in this current cycle of semi-annual consultations.

The steering committee has chosen fewer agenda items and fewer participants for these consultations with the expectation that this will facilitate more detailed and substantive exchanges of views.

Following your chosen words of welcome you may wish to invite participants to introduce themselves.

You may wish to remind participants of the following:

- Participants will have been provided with the latest version of the agenda for the meeting in their consultation packages. We have also included in their packages any papers that have been provided to us for distribution to participants.
- Simultaneous translation is being provided in both official languages, and participants should feel free to express themselves in the language of their choice.
- The consultations and the public report of the consultations that will be prepared will follow the "Chatham House Rule". This means participants are free to use the information and views received during the event, but that no individual contributor or participant can be quoted, or their identity or affiliation revealed, without their express permission.
- We will maintain a speakers list to provide some order to our discussions. If you wish to make a point in 'hot pursuit' of a point please raise two fingers. If you simply wish to be placed on the speaker list for a related but not urgent point please raise your hand.
- Any administrative or substantive concerns regarding the consultations can be directed to Bob Lawson or William Henry Mcken.