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that the documents of the meeting, not only contain a thorough analysis of the basic yet interrelated trends in the world today, and an outline of philosophical approaches to the challenges facing us today, but also put forward a programme of practical steps towards disarmament, the strengthening of confidence and security, and the development of constructive relationships among States in the widest variety of areas.

In our view, one of the distinctive features of the new initiatives put forward in Berlin lies in the fact that they respond to the concerns voiced in the past by representatives of the West, not least here in this room. I am thinking in particular of the readiness expressed by meeting participants to have the imbalance in certain elements redressed in the course of the reduction of military confrontation in Europe. What is important is that this should be done by means of appropriate reductions by the side which is ahead, and not by a further build-up of arms.

We also note with satisfaction that many of the provisions put forward at the Berlin meeting are directly related to the work of the Conference on Disarmament, including such important issues on its agenda as the nuclear test ban and the chemical weapon ban. In our view, the document on the military doctrine of the States parties to the Warsaw Treaty merits special attention, since it shows clearly that the military doctrine of the Warsaw Treaty and that of each State party, is subordinated to the task of preventing war, whether nuclear or conventional.