

(Mr. Ochsner, Switzerland)

My delegation therefore supports the idea of a simultaneous delivery of declarations as mentioned before, preferably at a meeting of foreign ministers of both member and non-member States of the Conference at the outset of the 1991 session, as already proposed by other delegations.

Those are some remarks by an observer who has had the opportunity of following the Conference's meetings over an extended period of time.

Although the drafting of the convention is not yet completed, Switzerland has already started with the first preparations for national implementation.

Finally, I would like to remind you of the assurance given by Secretary of State Jacobi that we are willing to undertake a special effort to support the preparatory conference. We can only hope to be requested to keep our promise in a foreseeable future.