

Mr. HOULLEZ (Belgium) (translated from French):

... It is not my intention to make a statement on the problems facing this Conference. The Belgian Minister for Foreign Affairs, Mr. Leo Tindemans, who wishes to stress the importance which Belgium attaches to the work of the Conference, will be making a general statement himself before the end of this month. I asked for the floor to inform the Conference of the forthcoming distribution of a report on a national trial inspection carried out in Belgium. In order to show how keen it is on the rapid conclusion of the convention, my country wished to make a contribution to the process of national trial inspections, although our administrative and technical facilities do not suffer comparison with those which larger countries have been able to bring to bear for these trials.

The inspection was carried out in a multi-purpose plant in accordance with the model contained in document CD/CW/WP.213, which the Swedish delegation submitted to the Conference last September. I would like to take this opportunity to extend our warm appreciation to that delegation for producing this working tool which has turned out to be most valuable and useful, as has rightly been pointed out by other delegates before me. The point of departure for the trial inspection in the chemical complex was as follows: the facility was not subject to declaration because it produces no chemicals falling in one of the three schedules as contained in the present "rolling text" CD/881. The prime aim of the inspection was to make sure that

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