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However, in spite of these results, it is by no means certain that those achievements have brought us closer to the goal of general and complete disarmament. Most unfortunate is that, after all these nine years, the Conference on Disarmament has yet to realize a single draft treaty on a topic

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on its agenda. Therefore, during the run-up to the United Nations General Assembly third special session devoted to disarmament, my delegation, compelled by its conscience, appeals to all member States to make all the necessary efforts to prove that our Conference is able to live up to its tasks and deliver what is expected by the international community. With this spirit, and if reason dictates that producing agreements on all items in this relatively short period of time is too ambitious a target to aspire to, let us then, at least, exert all those efforts needed to finalize the draft treaty on chemical weapons which we have been negotiating for many years. Hopefully, further steps could be taken that would bring us closer to negotiating draft treaties on other items which we have also been discussing for many years.

As we are aware, at the beginning of the spring session, negotiation on the chemical weapons convention reached a promising stage and gave rise to justifiable optimism. We hope during this summer session the Committee will take up other remaining important issues. At this juncture, I would like to congratulate Ambassador Ekéus and the co-ordinators of the three working groups for their skilful and commendable efforts which have enabled the Committee to achieve remarkable results. My delegation is also very appreciative of the constructive and flexible approach shown by delegations during the negotiations.

The Non-Aligned People's Republic warmly welcomed the results of the regular session of the Political Committee of the States Parties to the Warsaw Treaty, which was held at the end of May in Berlin. We note