

Finally, Mr. Chairman, I would like to appeal to the delegations present here not to try to influence the policy decisions of the Board of Trustees of UNITAR. We must remember that the Institute, which is financed from voluntary contributions, is an autonomous body and only its Board of Trustees has the power to formulate its programmes. Provisions for such independence were and remain necessary if the Institute is to preserve its academic integrity and retain the confidence of us all.

These are, Mr. Chairman, the comments that I wanted to make, on behalf of my Government, concerning the United Nations Institute for Training and Research which we hope will continue to proceed along its present hopeful course.

Thank you.