

Mr. AHMAD (Pakistan): We listened with very great attention to the message addressed by General Secretary Gorbachev to the Conference on Disarmament and to the statement by His Excellency Mr. Kornienko, the First Deputy Foreign Minister of the Soviet Union. My delegation is thankful for General Secretary Gorbachev's message. We are also appreciative of the fact that Mr. Kornienko found time to address the Conference. We are confident that the Conference will give the close and careful consideration that the message and the statement merit. We see these as indicative of the importance that the Soviet Union attaches to the multilateral disarmament negotiating process.

I have sought the floor this morning to introduce a document that my delegation has submitted on the subject of "Fact-Finding under the future Chemical Weapons Convention". This document, which carries the number CD/664 has, I understand, been circulated in all working languages today.