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**Ninth Review Conference of the States Parties  
to the Convention on the Prohibition of the  
Development, Production and Stockpiling  
of Bacteriological (Biological) and  
Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction**

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**Geneva, 28 November–16 December 2022**

**Summary record of the 14th meeting**

Held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, on Friday, 16 December 2022, at 11.55 a.m.

*President:* Mr. Bencini .....(Italy)

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*The meeting was called to order at 11.55 a.m.*

**Preparation and adoption of the final document(s)** *(continued)*

*Chapter II. Final declaration (continued)*

1. **The President**, drawing the attention of the delegations to a revised version of the Conference's final declaration, contained in chapter II of document BWC/CONF.IX/CRP.2/Rev.1, said that he wished to know whether the Conference was prepared to adopt the declaration.

2. **Mr. Vorontsov** (Russian Federation) said that, on the previous day, a number of delegations, including his own, had made proposals for the wording of the final declaration. Those proposals, however, were not reflected in the text. If the Conference wished to reach agreement on its final declaration, there would have to be further discussion.

3. **The President** said that the plenary meeting would be adjourned to make it possible to hold consultations with the delegations on the points of contention in the draft final declaration.

*The meeting rose at 12.05 p.m.*