## **Conference on Disarmament**

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## **Draft Decision**

## Submitted by the President

The Conference on Disarmament,

Affirming the principle of equal participation and representation of women and men in the Conference on Disarmament,

*Recalling* rule 18 of its Rules of Procedure which states that the Conference shall conduct its work and adopt its decisions by consensus,

*Considering* the language followed by the Rules of Procedure of the General Assembly of the United Nations in A/520/Rev.19.

*Reaffirming* that the Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian, and Spanish versions of the CD Rules of Procedure (CD/8/Rev.9) are equally authentic,

decides

- 1. that any reference in the CD rules of procedure to a male person shall be deemed also to constitute a reference to a female person,
- 2. to request the Secretariat of the Conference on Disarmament to publish and circulate this decision and the Rules of Procedure (CD/8/Rev.9), in the six official languages among CD Member States and observers.



