2020 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons

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Letter dated 25 February 2022 from the President of the second session of the Conference on the Establishment of a Middle East Zone Free of Nuclear Weapons and Other Weapons of Mass Destruction addressed to the President-designate of the Tenth Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons

I have the honour, on behalf of the States participating in the Conference on the Establishment of a Middle East Zone Free of Nuclear Weapons and Other Weapons of Mass Destruction, to forward to you, in your capacity as the President-designate of the Tenth Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons, the final reports of the Conference's first and second sessions, which were held in 2019 and 2021, respectively. The reports are available under the symbols A/CONF.236/6 and A/CONF.236/2021/4.

Convened by the Secretary-General pursuant to General Assembly decision 73/546, both the first and second sessions of the Conference saw successful outcomes through the collective efforts of the participating States and support from the international community. The participating States have expressed the wish to bring the Conference's reports and its outcomes to the attention of the States parties to the Review Conference. As you are aware, the issue of the establishment of a Middle East zone free of nuclear weapons and other weapons of mass destruction is intrinsically linked to the review process of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons, especially in the light of the 1995 resolution on the Middle East adopted by the 1995 Review and Extension Conference and reconfirmed by the 2000 and 2010 Review Conferences. It is noteworthy that the 1995 resolution is an integral part of the consensus and the deal agreed upon by States parties to extend the Treaty indefinitely. The 1995 resolution remains valid until its objectives are achieved.

It is my sincere hope that the Conference's reports and documents will make useful contributions to the deliberations during the Review Conference and in the implementation of the agreed upon resolutions and decisions of the previous Review Conferences on the issue of the establishment of a Middle East zone free of nuclear weapons and other weapons of mass destruction.

I wish you and the States parties a productive and successful Review Conference.

(Signed) Mansour Alotaibi



