

**President's Summary of the Coordinating Committee Meeting
April 24, 2002**

I. May Standing Committee Meetings:

1. Review of the Agendas for the Standing Committee Meetings

The Chair reviewed the Agenda for the Intersessional Week chronologically and the Co Chairs shared the agendas of each Standing Committee and the outcomes they hoped to accomplish. The Chair reminded of some of the new elements such as the orientation briefing on Monday May 27th, as well as that morning being dedicated to the General Status and Operations Committee. As part of this overview, the Co Chairs of the General Status and Operation Standing Committee mentioned that in keeping with past practice they would be providing an update on the consultations they are undertaking to nominate new Co Rapporteurs for 2002-2003 and that interested States Parties should contact them as soon as possible. The Chair also proposed a list of documents to be included in the comprehensive package to be sent to all States Parties and relevant organizations and urged all the Co Chairs to provide the necessary documents so that the package could be sent by Monday, April 29th. There was agreement on the documents to be included.

2. Mission Briefing on the May Intersessional Week

The Chair proposed a Draft Agenda for the Mission Briefing on Wednesday March 8th at 10:00 in room VII of the Palais des Nations, which was slightly modified (attached).

II. Exchange of views on the Draft Non Paper: Intersessional Work Programme

There was an exchange of ideas on the Revised Draft Non Paper on the Intersessional Work Programme and some final suggestions were noted.

III. Exchange of ideas on Reports of the Standing Committee Meetings

Following the initial discussion on this issue, the ISU Manager circulated Draft Documents on possible reporting suggestions for both the Standing Committee Meetings and the Final Reports for the consideration of the Coordinating Committee, which were considered valuable tools for the Co Rapporteurs of the Standing Committees on Victim Assistance, Mine Clearance and Stockpile Destruction. The Chair noted that further discussion was required on other questions, including a possible format for the reporting of the General Status Standing Committee. The importance of a more timely issuing of reports was emphasized.

IV. Preparations for the Fourth Meeting of the States Parties

1. Report on meeting to discuss side-events and the opening ceremony

Ambassador Lint briefed the Coordinating Committee on the preparation of side-events and the opening ceremony for the Fourth Meeting of States Parties, including that the Theme would be "Every step counts" and that the opening ceremony would have personalities such as the President of Switzerland, Princess Astrid of Belgium and would include testimonies of landmine survivors and other landmine victims, along with a slide show from the Swiss Campaign to Ban Landmines.