

Intersessional Meeting of the Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Convention

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Australia's Statement on Cooperative Compliance

President,

Thank you for giving me the floor. I wish to speak briefly to underscore my delegation's support for your efforts and the importance Australia places on upholding the Convention.

Compliance remains a cornerstone of the Convention, particularly at this critical juncture in its history and implementation. Upholding the obligations of the Convention is essential to maintaining its credibility and effectiveness, and it is right that States Parties and stakeholders continue to prioritise efforts that support full compliance.

In light of this, Australia welcomes the efforts of the Committee for Cooperative Compliance for their dedicated and often behind-the-scenes work, in assisting States Parties to meet their obligations. I wish to take this opportunity to acknowledge their important contributions and to reaffirm our ongoing strong support for their mandate and efforts.

We urge all States Parties to fully implement the Convention and to give effect to the commitments outlined in the Siem Reap—Angkor Action Plan, a key outcome of the 2024 Review Conference.

Transparency and openness are vital first steps. We encourage all States to engage constructively and to communicate openly if they are facing challenges in meeting their obligations.

And we ask all stakeholders to consider how they can contribute most effectively to the Committee's efforts and to the broader goal of ensuring the integrity and success of the Convention.

I thank you.