

Statement of the Chairman

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

17 November 2015

**Request for a subvention to the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research resulting from the recommendations of the Board of Trustees of the Institute on the work programme of the Institute for 2016-2017**

*(ACABQ report: A/70/7/Add.9; related report: A/70/349)*

Mr. Chairman,

I am pleased to introduce the Advisory Committee's report (A/70/7/Add.9) on the request for a subvention to the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research (UNIDIR) for 2016-2017.

The Advisory Committee recommends that the General Assembly approve the request for the subvention of \$584,600 (before recosting) from the regular budget of the United Nations for the biennium 2016-2017. The provision for the subvention has already been included under section 4, Disarmament, of the proposed programme budget for the same biennium. The Committee reiterates its expectation that the Secretary-General will ensure that the established procedures for recosting will be fully complied with in the future.

Mr. Chairman,

The report of the Advisory Committee also contains information related to the financial sustainability of UNIDIR, as well as the challenges encountered by the Institute from the implementation of Umoja (A/70/7/Add.9, paras. 5-9). The Committee understands that this matter is under consideration by the General Assembly

Thank you, Mr. Chairman.