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**Agenda item 134**  
**Programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017**

**Taking forward multilateral nuclear disarmament negotiations (A/C.5/71/12)**

**Treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices (A/C.5/71/13)**

**FIFTH COMMITTEE**

Statement by

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Madam Chair,  
Distinguished Delegates,

1. I have the honour to introduce two statements of the Secretary-General containing the programme budget implications for the biennium 2016-2017 resulting from draft resolutions adopted by the First Committee on 27 October 2016. In accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, statements of programme budget implications were presented to the Committee.

2. The Programme Budget Implications related to the draft resolution on the “**Taking forward multilateral nuclear disarmament negotiations**” proposes additional resources in the amount of \$692,600 for the purpose of convening a United Nations conference in 2017 to negotiate a legally binding instrument to prohibit nuclear weapons, leading towards their total elimination. These additional resources would be reflected under section 2, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management.

3. In the draft resolution on “**Treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices**”, the Secretary-General has been requested to establish a high-level expert preparatory group on a fissile material cut-off treaty. Accordingly, additional resources totalling \$295,900 are proposed under sections 2, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management and 29D, Office of Central Support Services. Furthermore, a similar amount for the activities to be carried out in 2018 would be included in the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2018-2019

Mr. Chairman, Distinguished Delegates, I look forward to the discussions on these items.

Thank you Mr. Chairman.