

Statement of the Chairman

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

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Taking forward multilateral nuclear disarmament negotiations

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.1/71/L.41

(ACABQ report: A/71/661; related report A/C.5/71/12)

Treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.1/71/L.65/Rev.1

(ACABQ report: A/71/662; related report: A/C.5/71/13)

Madam Chairperson,

I am pleased to introduce the Advisory Committee's reports on the programme budget implications of the draft resolution on Taking forward multilateral nuclear disarmament negotiations and on the Treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices. Regarding the request for resources related to the draft resolution on the Treaty, the Committee notes that the request relating to the sound technicians in the amount of \$6,900 for 2017 and 2018 is not included within the cost components for meetings support services. The Committee, therefore, recommends against the approval of the requested resources for sound technicians.

The Advisory Committee recommends that the Fifth Committee inform the General Assembly that, should the Assembly adopt the draft resolutions, additional appropriations of \$692,600 and \$289,000 for each draft resolution, respectively, would be required under section 2, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management, of the programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017, representing charges against the contingency fund.

Thank you, Madam Chairperson