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The United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs presents its compliments to the Permanent Missions of the States Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT) to the United Nations in New York and has the honour to refer to its note verbale dated 30 March 2020 regarding documentation and the changes to deadlines for the Tenth NPT Review Conference.

At the request of States Parties to the NPT, the Secretariat will resume the processing of documentation, including national reports and working papers.

States Parties are requested to submit documents in Microsoft Word format to Gunther Pointner (pointner@un.org), with a copy to Rene Holbach (holbach@un.org) and Lucia Andaya (andaya@un.org). Documents already submitted to the Secretariat will be processed and issued in due course.

The United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs would like to recall that, pursuant to the guidelines of the General Assembly on the submission of documents, in particular Assembly resolutions 52/214, 53/208 and 59/265, documents submitted by States Parties must not exceed 20 pages (10,700 words). However, it is strongly recommended that documents not exceed five pages (2,650 words), to reduce costs, facilitate translation, and ensure timely issuance.

As referenced in the note verbale to States Parties dated 30 March 2020, the issuance of revised versions of documents to reflect possible new developments during the period leading to the rescheduled Review Conference will have financial implications.

The United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Permanent Missions of the States Parties to the NPT to the United Nations in New York the assurances of its highest consideration.

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