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**STATEMENT BY H.E. MR. RADZI RAHMAN
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TO THE UNITED NATIONS
ON BEHALF OF THE NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT
AT THE INFORMAL MEETING OF THE PLENARY ON
THE HIGH-LEVEL PLENARY MEETING OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
(CLUSTER III: PEACE AND COLLECTIVE SECURITY)
NEW YORK, FRIDAY, 29 JULY 2005**

Mr. President,

I have the honour to take the floor again to speak on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM).

2. The Movement affirms the continued validity and relevance of its comments and proposals on Cluster III that were submitted to you and your Facilitators on 11 July 2005 and that this statement should be read in conjunction with those comments and proposals. In keeping with your request, I shall limit my intervention on this Cluster of the draft outcome document to the following five points:

- First, the “whole range of threats” referred to in paragraph 44 should include unilateral action and resort to the threat or use of force, acts of aggression, lack of progress in the disarmament of weapons of mass destruction and the continued existence of these weapons, as well as foreign occupation.
- Secondly, NAM reiterates its position and comments concerning the Peacebuilding Commission that we have pronounced in many occasions. Paragraphs 59 through 70 convey new, interesting and thought-provoking ideas relating to the mandate, terms of reference, modalities, structure and membership of the proposed Commission. NAM would like to draw the attention of Member States to other proposals on this question that merits our consideration. In this connection, NAM calls for further discussion concerning the Peacebuilding Commission bearing in mind, inter alia, Articles 55 and 60 of the Charter and the role and competence of the principal organs of the UN, in particular the General Assembly, thereto.
- Thirdly, concerning the “use of force” NAM reiterates that the Charter contains sufficient provisions regarding the use of force to maintain international peace and

security, and achieving this goal, including by the Security Council, should be done in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter. Therefore, NAM could not concur with the proposal to discuss the principles for the use of force as identified by the Secretary-General in his Report as referred to in paragraph 76 of the revised text.

- Fourthly, NAM recognises that the sub-section on “Disarmament and non-proliferation” (paragraphs 77 to 84) has indeed been improved. However, NAM stresses that this sub-section should be further strengthened by incorporating the comments and ideas that we have submitted earlier to you, Mr. President. It should give greater emphasis on the disarmament of weapons of mass destruction, in particular nuclear weapons, aside from emphasising on non-proliferation.
 - Finally, NAM reiterates its positions and comments concerning terrorism that we have pronounced in many occasions. In addition, NAM stresses that the phrase “non-combatants” has yet to enjoy an agreed definition or certification under international law, in particular the Geneva Conventions and, therefore, this phrase should be deleted from paragraph 85. NAM calls for discussion by the General Assembly on the counter-terrorism strategy proposed by the Secretary-General. NAM is concerned over the call that the Security Council, in addition to monitoring and enforcement, should consider ways to strengthen the verification in its role in counter-terrorism. The introduction of new concepts, phrases and proposals relating to the question of terrorism would need to be discussed separately in greater detail.
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