

Netherlands intervention on International Assistance

Thank you mister chair.

First of all, I would like to thank the facilitators for all their efforts and good work.

International assistance is one of the key instruments to achieve a proper implementation of the Treaty.

The sponsorship programme is vital to enable all states parties to participate in the ATT debate. We therefore wish that the sponsorship programme to be continued.

Further, the Netherlands thanks Germany for the progress made on the terms of reference for the ATT voluntary trust fund. To the Netherlands the current compromise is fully acceptable. Therefore we hope that the Voluntary Trust Fund will be established during this Conference and that the Voluntary Trust Fund will help States Parties and Signatories to implement the Treaty. As already mentioned during the general debate, the NL will contribute to the ATT voluntary trust fund in 2017.

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