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Conference on Disarmament
Palais des Nations
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Dear Mr Secretary-General

I greet you in the name of the demonstrators gathered at the Place des Nations today to commemorate the atomic destruction of Hiroshima and Nagasaki on 6 August 1945. On this occasion we wish to reiterate our deep concern regarding the continuing development of nuclear weapons, both their 'vertical' modernisation and their 'horizontal' proliferation.

We expect from the Conference on Disarmament a speedy agreement on a convention on the total elimination of nuclear weapons, in order that such tragedies as those of Hiroshima and Nagasaki should never be repeated.

We request you to kindly transmit this message to the governmental delegates at the CD in order to encourage them to act on their responsibilities in this direction.

We wish you all success in your endeavours.

With warm wishes

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