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The Office for Disarmament Affairs presents its compliments to the Permanent Missions of Member States to the United Nations and has the honour to refer to resolution 67/53 entitled “Treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices”, adopted by the General Assembly on 3 December 2012.

By operative paragraph 2 of the resolution, the General Assembly:

“2. *Requests* the Secretary General to seek the views of Member States on a treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices including possible aspects thereof, and to submit a report on the subject to the General Assembly at its sixty-eighth session”.

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would be grateful to receive the views on the issues outlined above from the Governments of the Permanent Missions. In order for the Secretariat to comply with the page-limit requirement for UN documents and to facilitate the timely processing of relevant documentation in all UN official languages, the Office for Disarmament Affairs would greatly appreciate it if the Governments of the Permanent Missions could provide an executive summary of their views in their submission. The executive summary will be included in the report of the Secretary-General, while the submission in extenso will be posted on the website of the Office for Disarmament Affairs, if so requested and agreed by the Governments of the Permanent Missions.

Please note that the Office for Disarmament Affairs will no longer publish the views received from Member States after the First Committee commences as addenda to the main reports. These views will, instead, be posted on the website of the Office for Disarmament Affairs in the original language received, if so requested and agreed by the relevant Member States.

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would be grateful to receive the views of the Governments of the Permanent Missions in **hard copy and electronically, in Microsoft Word format by 15 May 2013** so as to facilitate the issuance of the report in time for consideration by the General Assembly at its sixty-eighth session. In order for the Secretariat to process the submission, **the electronic version (word format) is required**. Kindly send the electronic version simultaneously to Ms. Charlotte Laut Hernandez (fmct@unog.ch), Geneva Branch of the Office for Disarmament Affairs.

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