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# FISSILE MATERIAL, PANEL PERSPECTIVES

# Friday, 21 August 2009, 10:00 – 13:00 Council Chamber, Palais des Nations, Geneva

### The seminar is organized in collaboration with the Swiss Department of Foreign Affairs, the Delegation of Japan to the Conference on Disarmament and the International Panel on Fissile Materials

# 10:15 Opening Remarks

Ms Theresa Hitchens, Director, United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research

# 10:20 Introductory Remarks to the First Panel

H.E. Mr Akio Suda, Ambassador to the Conference on Disarmament, Japan

# 10:25 The Scope and Verification of a Fissile Material (Cutoff) Treaty

Prof. Frank von Hippel, Professor of Public and International Affairs, Princeton University and Co-Chair, International Panel on Fissile Materials

H.E. Arend Meerburg, Former Ambassador, The Netherlands, and International Panel on Fissile Materials

Dr Zia Mian, Research Scientist, Program on Science and Global Security, Princeton University, and International Panel on Fissile Materials

# 11:10 Break

# 11:25 Introductory Remarks to the Second Panel

H.E. Mr Jürg Streuli, Ambassador to the Conference on Disarmament, Switzerland

# 11:30 The Challenges of Verification in the Field of Fissile Material

Mr Andreas Persbo, Acting Executive Director, Verification Research, Training and Information Centre (VERTIC)

# 11:45 - 13:00 Q&A and Discussion