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## **Statement by the Delegation of the Kyrgyz Republic**

**First Session of the Preparatory Committee for the 2015 Review Conference  
of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons**

**Cluster 3 issues**

**(Vienna, 9 May 2012)**

Mr. Chairman,

Thank you for the opportunity to take the floor during the discussion of Cluster 3 issues. As a member of the Central Asian Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone, we attach special importance to the emphasis the zone places on rehabilitation of territories affected by radioactive contamination, especially those sites associated with uranium tailings.

This concern actually predates the Central Asian Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone, and was clearly expressed during the 1995 NPT Review and Extension Conference and subsequent NPT Review Conferences and Preparatory Committee meetings. At these meetings, calls were made for all governments and international organizations that have expertise in the field of clean-up and disposal of radioactive contaminants to consider giving appropriate assistance as may be requested for remedial purposes in affected areas.

Mr. Chairman, in light of the history of this issue in the NPT review process and the fact that the problem of radioactive tailings in our country is trans-boundary in nature, we wish to call to the attention of this Preparatory Committee meeting our plans to submit a draft resolution on the subject of mitigating radiation threats in Central Asia at the next session of the UN General Assembly. We would welcome input from the international community as we develop the draft resolution.

Thank you.