20 YEARS CTBT

Vienna International Centre

CTBT 20th Anniversary Ministerial Meeting

Monday, 13 June 2016

Vienna, Austria
Let us pledge today that we will not cease until all States are party to the Treaty. That way we can leave a safer world, free of nuclear tests, to our children and to succeeding generations of this world.

- United Nations Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon

While recognizing the accomplishments of the past twenty years in establishing the verification regime and reducing the number of nuclear tests from a flood to a trickle, the anniversary of the CTBT must serve as a wake-up call for us all to urgently bring the CTBT into full legal standing. Now is the time to increase both political will and public awareness to accelerate the Treaty’s entry into force.

- Lassina Zerbo, Executive Secretary of the CTBTO

Romania is proud to be chairing the Preparatory Commission for the CTBTO, particularly as it is the twentieth anniversary of the CTBT. When the Treaty was adopted in 1996, none of the negotiators anticipated that it would take over 20 years to enter into force. This Ministerial Meeting is aimed at making an important contribution to raising awareness for the urgent need to ban nuclear testing through the entry into force of the CTBT.

- Lazăr Comănescu, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Romania
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10:15 Opening of the forty-sixth Session of the Preparatory Commission: Ministerial Meeting

- CTBT@20 curtain-raiser film
- Opening of the forty-sixth session of the Preparatory Commission, and adoption of the agenda (Chairperson of the Preparatory Commission, H.E. Cristian Istrate)
- Opening statement by H.E. Lazăr Comănescu, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Romania (Chairperson of the Ministerial Meeting)
- Address by CTBTO Executive Secretary Lassina Zerbo
- Message by United Nations Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon
- Statements by Ministers and high-level governmental representatives

Venue: Combined Board Room B and Conference Room M1, M Building

11:30 Ministerial Roundtable discussion (closed)

Format:
- Ministers and other high-level government representatives, moderated by
  - H.E. Erlan A. Idrissov
  - Minister of Foreign Affairs of Kazakhstan
  - H.E. Federica Mogherini
  - High Representative of the European Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy and Vice-President of the European Commission

The Roundtable discussion will be held in parallel to the plenary and will focus on the following interrelated themes:

- Overcoming the challenges in obtaining the signatures/ratifications necessary for the entry into force of the CTBT
- Civil and security benefits of the Treaty and its verification regime

Venue: Conference Room M2, M Building

12:40 Women for the CTBT@20: Photo opportunity

Venue: Main staircase to Board Room A, M Building

13:00 Morning Session concludes

Parts of this programme are being video recorded and live streamed. If you choose to participate in the discussion, you are presumed to consent to the use of your comments and your image in these recordings.
13:10 Opening of the CTBT@20 Exhibition

**Brief Remarks**

Executive Secretary Lassina Zerbo  
CTBTO

H.E. Federica Mogherini  
High Representative of the European Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy and Vice-President of the European Commission

H.E. Lazăr Comănescu  
Minister of Foreign Affairs of Romania

H.E. Erlan A. Idrissov  
Minister of Foreign Affairs of Kazakhstan

Mr. Kim Won-soo  
UN Under-Secretary-General and High Representative for Disarmament Affairs

Venue: VIC Rotunda

**Vin d'honneur:**  
Sponsored by the Permanent Mission of Romania

13:30 Lunch Reception  
(by invitation only)

hosted by Executive Secretary Lassina Zerbo, CTBTO

Venue: Mozart Room, VIC Restaurant

14:45 Press Stake-out

H.E. Lazăr Comănescu  
Minister of Foreign Affairs of Romania

Executive Secretary Lassina Zerbo  
CTBTO

Venue:  
Outside main entrance to Board Room B, M Building

15:00 Ministerial Meeting resumes

- Statements by high-level governmental representatives and Permanent Representatives
- Statements by representatives of Group of Eminent Persons, civil society, and the CTBTO Youth Group

Venue: Combined Board Room B and Conference Room M1, M Building

15:00 | 17:00 Side Event

CTBT@20:  
The Way Forward - The role of Civil Society

**Moderator:**  
Professor William Potter  
Director, James Martin Center for Nonproliferation Studies, Middlebury Institute of International Studies at Monterey

**Briefing on GEM Activities and the Way Forward**

The Hon. Hans Blix  
former Swedish Minister for Foreign Affairs, and former Director-General of the International Atomic Energy Agency

The Hon. Ellen Tauscher  
former Under Secretary of State for Arms Control and International Security, and former Member of the United States House of Representatives (D-CA)

**Research Findings by CTBTO Youth Group (CYG)**

Working Group 1: Ms. Shervin Taheran (Annex 2 States)
Working Group 2: Mr. Karim El-baz (Middle East)
Working Group 3: Ms. Aditi Malhotra (India, Pakistan, China and the United States)

Venue: Conference Room M2, M Building
Side Event (continued)

**ROLE OF CIVIL SOCIETY**
Mr. Anton Khlopkov  
*Director, Center for Energy and Security Studies*
Mr. Daryl Kimball  
*Executive Director, Arms Control Association*
Mr. Karipbek Kuyukov  
*ATOM Project honorary Ambassador and artist (Kazakhstan)*

**DISCUSSANTS:**
Ambassador Sergio Duarte  
*former United Nations Under-Secretary-General for Disarmament Affairs*
Dr. Tariq Rauf  
*Director, Disarmament, Arms Control and Non-proliferation Programme, Stockholm International Peace Research Institute*

**Venue:**  
Conference Room M2, M Building

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15:00 Side Event  
**U.S. Transparency and the Role of the Stockpile Stewardship Program in Nuclear Weapons Reductions and Nonproliferation**  
Organized by the Permanent Mission of the United States

**Moderator:**  
Ms. Madelyn Creedon  
*Principal Deputy Administrator of the U.S. Department of Energy’s National Nuclear Security Administration*

**Panellists:**  
Dr. Charlie McMillan  
*Director, Los Alamos National Laboratory*
Dr. Bill Goldstein  
*Director of the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory*
Ms. Jill Hruby  
*Director of the Sandia National Laboratory*

**Venue:**  
Conference Room M3, M Building

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15:30 Tour of CTBTO facilities

16:30

18:00 Chairperson’s Summary Statement and Closing of Ministerial Meeting

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18:00 ATOM Project reception sponsored by the Government of Kazakhstan *(Heads of delegation +1)*

19:30 CTBTO/UNIDO Concert: National Treasure Silk Road Feelings, Chinese Folk Music Concert

**Venue:**
- CTBTO, E Building
- Board Room B and Conference Room M1, M Building
- Austria Center
OTHER ONGOING ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

Tuesday, 14 June 2016

10:00 - Resumption of the forty-sixth Session of the Preparatory Commission

13:00

10:00 - Meeting of the CTBTO Group of Eminent Persons (closed)

12:00

10:00 - Meeting of the CTBTO Youth Group (closed)

12:00

13:15 - Tour of CTBTO facilities

14:15

14:30 - Joint GEM/CYG Meeting (closed)

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Venue:
Board Room C, C Building

Venue:
Conference Room CO213, C Building

Venue:
Conference Room C5, C Building

Venue:
CTBTO, E Building

Venue:
Conference Room CO213, C Building

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Board Room C, C Building
The 20 Years CTBT Ministerial Meeting brings together leaders and policymakers to review and reinvigorate the discussion needed on the issues currently preventing the entry into force of the worldwide ban on nuclear explosions.

This year represents an opportune moment to engage in these discussions. Marking 20 years after the Treaty opened for signature, all States are invited to discuss what is required to turn the global moratorium on nuclear testing from *de facto* into *de jure*.