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## **FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 REQUEST REF: 1011-16**

Thank you for your email of 28 October 2016 asking for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000. You asked:

*"I should like to request the text of a speech made to an informal meeting of the UN First Committee by a UK representative on the 14th October. The subject of the speech was resolution L.41 regarding negotiations on a nuclear weapons ban."*

I am writing to confirm that we have now completed the search for the information which you requested.

I can confirm that the Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO) does hold information relevant to your request. Please find attached the information that the FCO can release to you. As you acknowledge in your request, the remarks by the UK representative were given during an informal session of the UN General Assembly First Committee. The document contains abbreviated notes as the basis for the UK representative's remarks rather than a text of the remarks as delivered. As this was an informal session, the actual text of the intervention was not recorded. The UK's position was set out clearly on the record in our public statements at the UN General Assembly First Committee.

Yours sincerely,

Counter Proliferation and Arms Control Centre

