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Dear Mr. Wright,

I acknowledge receipt of your letter dated May 29, 2013 regarding the position of Uruguay on a treaty banning nuclear weapons.

To this respect, I would like to inform you that Uruguay supports all efforts to negotiate a treaty to eliminate nuclear weapons. Uruguay is a non-nuclear State and a State Party on the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean (The Treaty of Tlatelolco).

My country had a very active role in the negotiation of the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty. During the Eight NPT Review Conference, Uruguay suggested the negotiation of an additional protocol to establish legally binding negative security assurances.

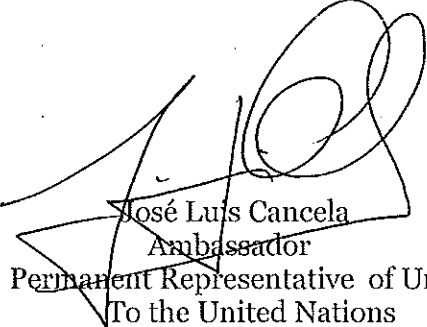
Additionally, Uruguay was the first country to support the 5 points proposed by the Secretary General on disarmament and non-proliferation organizing a Conference in Uruguay in 2010 on this matter.

During 2011, I organized several meetings to discuss all existing initiatives on nuclear disarmament with the final purpose of having a world free of nuclear weapons.

It is my hope that this information will be useful and I remain at your disposal if you need any clarification.

Yours sincerely,




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