

# Convention on Cluster Munitions

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**Review of the status and operation**  
**of the Convention and other matters important**  
**for achieving the aims of the Convention**

## **Note Verbale dated 10 July 2018 from the Permanent Missions of New Zealand and Australia transmitting the text of the Auckland Declaration on Conventional Weapons Treaties**

The Permanent Missions of New Zealand and Australia to the United Nations in Geneva present their compliments to the Office for Disarmament Affairs, in its capacity as the secretariat of the Eighth Meeting of States Parties to the Convention on Cluster Munitions, and have the honour to circulate the text of the Auckland Declaration on Conventional Weapons Treaties.

The Auckland Declaration was adopted at the conclusion of the Pacific Conference on Conventional Weapons Treaties, which was held in Auckland, New Zealand from 12 to 14 February 2018. The Conference aimed to take stock and advance the implementation of three treaties dealing with conventional weapons: the Arms Trade Treaty, 2013; the Convention on Cluster Munitions, 2008; and the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on their Destruction, 1997. Sponsored by the Governments of Australia and New Zealand, the Conference was attended by representatives of 14 Pacific States and benefitted also from participation by representatives from the Secretariat and Implementation Support Units of the three treaties.

The Permanent Missions of New Zealand and Australia to the United Nations in Geneva request that the attached Auckland Declaration on Conventional Weapons Treaties be included as an official document of the Eighth Meeting of States Parties to the Convention on Cluster Munitions. The document was previously issued as CD/2124 (<http://www.undocs.org/cd/2124>).

The Permanent Missions of New Zealand and Australia to the United Nations in Geneva avail themselves of this opportunity to renew to the Office for Disarmament Affairs, in its capacity as the secretariat of the Eighth Meeting of States Parties to the Convention on Cluster Munitions, the assurances of their highest consideration.

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