**Views and comments of the Russian Federation on the zero draft of the post-2015 Framework on Disaster Risk Reduction**

Section I

We believe it important to include in the text the universally accepted conception of “sustainable development” as referred to in the final document of “Rio+20”.

Paragraph 4

Russia proposes to delete the first sentence, which reads “we are at the crossroads”. It stylistically and logically contradicts the rest of the text, especially when translated into other languages.

Paragraph 5

We would prefer to keep the reference to conflict situations in this paragraph to highlight their harmful effect on sustainable development and heavy losses that they incur, often surpassing the consequences of disasters themselves.

Section III

Paragraph 15

Russia proposes to include an additional subparagraph, which will follow after “d”: “Effective disaster risk management requires the creation of national and regional mechanisms responsible for comprehensive monitoring and assessment of these risks. Said mechanisms should promote the exchange of information on disaster risks to relevant national Government bodies and other stakeholders in the interests of sustainable social and economic development”.

Subparagraph “h”

Remove the suggestion on gender identity specific disaggregated data and keep the original language – “gender-specific/sex/age/disability”

Paragraph 19

Bullet 1. We suggest adding the phrase “promoting a safety culture among the population” after “Understanding disaster risk”.

We also suggest keeping the structure of this paragraph as it outlines the titles of the priorities that are elaborated later on in the document. Introducing new subparagraphs would lead to adding up new paragraphs in other sections.

Section VI

Bearing in mind the scope and the longevity of the current Framework we believe it important to mention in the text the necessity of enhancing the coordinating role of the United Nations in promoting international cooperation on disaster risk reduction, as well as developing the methodology of information-sharing on disasters and related risks, training of international experts and other DRR related issues.

*Please note that this is not a comprehensive list of our proposals. Any other comment made throughout the text during the on-screen discussion and not included here should also be retained.*