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On behalf of the Polish Academy of Sciences, may I extend warmest greetings to the participants of this Conference. The fact that we are playing hosts here to so many eminent scholars from various countries who are attending this Conference is, of course, the reason of great pride which the scholarly community in Poland feels. There is no more important problem nowadays for the maintenance of peace, than the problem of utilization of scholastic achievements for the sake of mankind, for the well-being of mankind, and not for its destruction.

May I express the hope that, similarly to the previous Pugwash Conferences, this Conference here in Poland will become an important contribution to peace, that its voice will be heard and will help in securing peace, and reducing international tension which still exists. May I wish to all those present, to all the participants of this Conference, the best success in their work and in their efforts which are both noble and fascinating.

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