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The work of the PMP during 2009-2010 period was, in part, determined by the work taken in hand in the preceding period. The Group continued to expand its international networking and activities, mindful of the frontierless nature of its assignment. During the PMP meeting held on August 19, the group received a report from Andrey Krutskikh on his work in the information security area with the United Nations First Committee.

The members of the PMP undertook to ensure the widest possible distribution of last year's Erice Declaration on Principles for Cyber Stability and Cyber Peace and carried forward its work on the Cyber Security Hard Problems List ("Hard Problems List"). The PMP reviewed some newly published documents on cyber security research areas and will update the Hard Problems List accordingly. A revised document will be circulated to PMP members and the document will be finalized by January 1, 2011. PMP members intend to make use of their international networks to bring the document to the attention of the international research community in order to purposefully advance research in areas where it is most necessary.

A major portion of the work of the Group was dedicated to drafting the various chapters of the book entitled *The Quest for Cyber Peace*, which is to be co-published with ITU Secretary General, Dr. Hamadoun Touré, and his organization. Select members of the PMP held a meeting in May in Geneva to advance work on the development of the book. During that same week, the PMP co-chairs represented WFS at the World Summit on the Information Society 2010. The PMP reviewed the initial draft of the book this week in Erice, with the active participation of the Secretary General. PMP members will revise their contributions and submit final text by October 31, 2010 and, following a final round of edits, will finalize the book by November 30, 2010. The book will be published in early 2011 in the six official languages of the UN.

Four members of the PMP were speakers at the EastWest Institute's (EWI) Worldwide Cyber Security Summit held in early May in Dallas, Texas. WFS entered into a Memorandum of Understanding with the EWI to collaborate on mutual cyber security initiatives and jointly published selected PMP documents, including the Erice Declaration of

Principles for Cyber Security. The document, *Rights and Responsibilities in Cyberspace: Balancing the Need for Security and Liberty*, was released August 16, 2010.