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**STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF THE FRENCH REPUBLIC
TO THE OPCW AT THE TWENTY-SIXTH SESSION
OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE STATES PARTIES
UNDER AGENDA ITEM 26**

My delegation voted in favour of this decision today. We acknowledge that the issue of the use of aerosolised central nervous system-acting chemicals for law enforcement purposes is an important one, including for the future. It should be dealt with within the framework of the Chemical Weapons Convention.

Subsequent to the adoption of this proposal, we would encourage the continuation of exchanges between delegations, which might bring us closer to a convergence of views on this subject. Our goal should be to have an unequivocal and lasting approach, but also one that could take into account potential scientific developments.

I thank you, and would ask that this statement be considered as an official document of the Twenty-Sixth Session of the Conference of the States Parties and that it be published on the OPCW public website and on Catalyst.

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