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DRAFT DECISION

**AMENDMENTS TO THE FACILITY AGREEMENT WITH THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION
REGARDING ON-SITE INSPECTIONS AT THE MARADYKOVSKY CHEMICAL
WEAPONS DESTRUCTION FACILITY**

The Executive Council,

Recalling that paragraph 3 of Part III of the Verification Annex to the Chemical Weapons Convention requires each State Party to conclude a facility agreement with the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons for each facility declared and subject to on-site inspection pursuant to Article IV of the Chemical Weapons Convention (hereinafter “the Convention”);

Recalling also that subparagraph 34(c) of Article VIII of the Convention states that the Executive Council (hereinafter “the Council”) shall approve “agreements or arrangements relating to the implementation of verification activities, negotiated by the Technical Secretariat with States Parties”;

Recalling further that, at its Fifty-Third Session, it approved a facility agreement with the Russian Federation for the Maradykovsky chemical weapons destruction facility (CWDF) (EC-53/DEC.7, dated 25 June 2008);

Recalling further that, at its Fifty-Seventh Session, it approved modifications to the aforementioned facility agreement (EC-57/DEC.4, dated 16 July 2009);

Recalling further that, at its Fifty-Ninth Session, it noted modifications (paragraph 5.4 of EC-59/4, dated 26 February 2010) to the aforementioned facility agreement (EC-59/DG.2, dated 16 November 2009);

Considering that the Russian Federation has notified the Technical Secretariat (hereinafter “the Secretariat”) of its intention to commence the destruction operations of aerial bomb blocks and tank compartments at the Maradykovsky CWDF, and has informed the Secretariat that such a commencement would entail amendments and modifications to some attachments to and to certain sections of the aforementioned facility agreement;

Considering also that the amendments and modifications considered necessary by the Russian Federation and the Secretariat have been set out in EC-74/P/DEC/CRP.1, dated 16 September 2013;



Noting that, according to Section 16 of the facility agreement, amendments to it shall be agreed between the State Party and the Secretariat, and approved by the Council; and

Recognising that the present facility agreement does not set a precedent for future agreements covering CWDFs;

Hereby:

Approves the amendments to the facility agreement for the Maradykovsky CWDF (as set out in EC-74/P/DEC/CRP.1).

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