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STATEMENT BY H.E. JAN LUCAS VAN HOORN AMBASSADOR AND PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE TO THE OPCW AT THE THIRTY-EIGHTH MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

Mr Chairman,

I thank the Director-General for his report and the Technical Secretariat and the OPCW-UN Joint Mission for its excellent work.

The Netherlands aligns itself fully with the statement by the European Union and its 28 Member States.

I refer to the report of the Secretary General of the United Nations. The Netherlands also refers to the statement of the Director-General on the deadlines.

The final report should reflect fully all the very serious concerns that were expressed by the delegations, including those very eloquently spoken by my Senegalese colleague.

The world community will look at our important Meeting, and our concerns should be very clearly expressed. An organisation that has fully deserved the Nobel Prize should speak out very clearly about these very serious concerns.

I request that this statement be issued as an official document of this Thirty-Eighth Meeting of the Executive Council.

Thank you Mr Chairman.

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