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AT THE FIFTY-FOURTH MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL**

Madam Chairperson,

I thank you for convening this meeting. Brazil received with alarm and utmost concern the news regarding the use of chemical weapons in the province of Idlib, in the Syrian Arab Republic.

Brazil condemns the use of chemical weapons anywhere, by anyone, under any circumstances. We express once again our repudiation at the use of chemical weapons and reaffirm the importance of fully abiding by the Chemical Weapons Convention.

Brazil stresses the need for a full and impartial investigation, which leads to full disclosure of the facts and to accountability for those responsible for the use of chemical weapons in the Syrian Arab Republic. We look forward to a detailed report on this by the OPCW's Fact-Finding Mission. Brazil also calls for urgent additional efforts from the Syrian Arab Republic to fully cooperate with the OPCW in the investigations.

Brazil is seriously concerned with the escalation of the military conflict in the Syrian Arab Republic. The solution to the Syrian conflict demands effective and meaningful dialogue, as well as full respect for international law. In this context, we renew our support to the Geneva process conducted by the United Nations.

Thank you.

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