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**REQUEST FOR THE INCLUSION OF AN ADDITIONAL ITEM IN THE
PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE FIFTY-SIXTH MEETING
OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL**

1. By note verbale dated 7 November 2017, the Permanent Representation of the Russian Federation has requested the Chairperson of the Executive Council (hereinafter “the Council”) to include an additional item entitled “OPCW Fact-Finding Mission in the Syrian Arab Republic” in the provisional agenda for the Fifty-Sixth Meeting of the Council.
2. A draft decision pertaining to the agenda item which is the object of this request will be circulated at the earliest opportunity.

Annex (English only):

Note Verbale to the Chairperson of the Executive Council from the Permanent Representation of the Russian Federation



Annex

**NOTE VERBALE TO THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL
FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATION OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION**



**ПОСТОЯННОЕ ПРЕДСТАВИТЕЛЬСТВО
РОССИЙСКОЙ ФЕДЕРАЦИИ
ПРИ ОРГАНИЗАЦИИ ПО ЗАПРЕЩЕНИЮ
ХИМИЧЕСКОГО ОРУЖИЯ В ГААГЕ**

**PERMANENT REPRESENTATION
OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION
TO THE ORGANISATION FOR THE PROHIBITION
OF CHEMICAL WEAPONS IN THE HAGUE**

№ 2512

The Permanent Representation of the Russian Federation to the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (hereinafter "OPCW") presents its compliments to the Chairperson of the Executive Council (hereinafter "EC"), H.E. Ambassador Sheikh Mohammed Belal and with reference to the Note by the Director-General EC-M-56/1, dated 3 November 2017, has the honour in accordance with the Rule 31 of the EC Rules of Procedure to request including in the provisional agenda for the 56th EC meeting the following item:

"OPCW Fact-Finding Mission in the Syrian Arab Republic".

The Permanent Representation kindly requests that this proposal as well as the enclosed draft EC decision, sponsored by the Russian Federation and the Islamic Republic of Iran, be brought to the attention of the members of the EC.

The Permanent Representation avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the EC Chairperson the assurances of its highest consideration.

Enclosure: 3 pages

The Hague, "  " November 2017

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CHAIRPERSON OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL
OF THE ORGANIZATION FOR THE
PROHIBITION OF CHEMICAL WEAPONS**

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THE HAGUE