

Statement by H.E. Mr. Jens-Otto Horslund, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Denmark to the OPCW at 57th Meeting of the Executive Council

Thank you Mr Chairman,

Denmark fully aligns itself with the statement of the Republic of Bulgaria on behalf of the European Union.

The Danish Prime Minister and the Danish Minister for Foreign Affairs have previously expressed the Danish position in clear terms.

Denmark condemns the vicious attack in Salisbury, and fully support the United Kingdom and express our solidarity with the people and the Government of the United Kingdom. We agree with the UK assessment that it is highly likely that the Russian Federation is responsible and that there is no other plausible explanation.

We agree with many other State Parties that today's meeting is premature. The independent analysis of the Technical Secretariat of the OPCW is still underway and OPCW needs to complete its work. This work should be respected by all member states.