

Statement by Lithuania
at the OPCW 57th meeting of the Executive Council
April 4, 2018

Mr Chairperson, Mr Director General, distinguished delegates,

Lithuania fully aligns itself with the statement by the European Union.

In addition, I would like to express a few remarks in our national capacity.
We strongly condemn the brutal attack with a military-grade nerve agent in Salisbury.

We stand in solidarity with the United Kingdom in the face of this grave challenge to our security.

Lithuania has full trust in the United Kingdom government's assessment with regard to this horrible attack, and the thorough investigation that the UK authorities are carrying out.

We welcome the UK's notification of this incident to the OPCW and collaboration with the the Technical Secretariat of the the OPCW.

The use of chemical weapons, including the use of any toxic chemicals as weapons under any circumstances, is completely unacceptable.

Therefore, we joins all those who call on the Russian Federation, as a member of OPCW, to cooperate in the investigation and answer all legitimate questions.

Thank you, Mr. Chairperson