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**NETHERLANDS**

**STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF THE NETHERLANDS  
AT THE EIGHTY-NINTH SESSION OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL  
UNDER AGENDA ITEM 16**

Madam Chairperson,

During the general debate on Tuesday and yesterday, several delegations referred to the actions taken by the Netherlands in response to a hostile cyber operation targeted at the OPCW. My delegation would like to thank those like the Director-General and others that expressed their appreciation to the Netherlands authorities.

For the information of delegations:

The Dutch Minister of Defence, Ms. Ank Bijleveld, informed our parliament on October 4th about this incident by letter. Without repeating its content in this forum, I would like to refer delegations to this letter which is available in English translation at the Ministry of Defence's website.

<https://english.defensie.nl/>

<https://english.defensie.nl/latest/news/2018/10/04/netherlands-defence-intelligence-and-security-service-disrupts-russian-cyber-operation-targeting-opcw>

<https://www.defensie.nl/downloads/kamerstukken/2018/10/04/letter-to-the-house-of-representatives-regarding-disruption-of-a-gru-cyber-operation-in-the-hague>

Dutch:

<https://www.rijksoverheid.nl/documenten/kamerstukken/2018/10/04/kamerbrief-over-verstoring-russische-cyberoperatie-in-den-haag>

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