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DECISION**CASH SURPLUS FOR 2016****The Conference of the States Parties,**

Mindful that a cash surplus of EUR 1,454,925 has arisen for the financial year ending 31 December 2016, as reported by the Director-General in “Financial Statements of the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons and Report of the External Auditor for the Year Ending 31 December 2017” (EC-89/DG.3 C-23/DG.4, dated 7 August 2018);

Recalling that the Conference of the States Parties (hereinafter “the Conference”) at its Twenty-Second Session decided to recommend that the Working Capital Fund (WCF) be increased to a target level of EUR 7 to 9 million over the next three years (C-22/DEC.5, dated 30 November 2017) by, inter alia, transfer of future cash surpluses, if available, to the WCF following a decision by the Executive Council (hereinafter “the Council”);

Noting that the Council has submitted an initial draft of this decision entitled “Cash Surplus for 2016” (EC-89/DEC/CRP.6, dated 12 October 2018) for consideration by the Conference at its Twenty-Third Session (EC-M-61/DEC.1, dated 5 November 2018);

Bearing in mind that three draft decisions entitled, respectively, “Establishment of a Special Fund for Cybersecurity, Business Continuity, and Physical Infrastructure Security” (C-23/DEC/CRP.11, dated 9 November 2018), “Establishment of a Special Fund for IT Infrastructure to Support the Implementation of Decision C-SS-4/DEC.3” (C-23/DEC/CRP.12, dated 9 November 2018); and “Draft Programme and Budget of the OPCW for 2019” (C-23/DEC/CRP.8, dated 9 November 2018) have also been submitted by the Council (EC-M-61/DEC.1) for consideration by the Conference at its Twenty-Third Session; and

Bearing in mind also that two Notes by the Director-General entitled, respectively, “Request for the Establishment of a Special Fund for Cybersecurity, Business Continuity, and Physical Infrastructure Security, and Transfer of a Portion of the 2016 Cash Surplus for this Purpose” (EC-89/DG.32, dated 12 October 2018) and “Request for the Establishment of a Special Fund for IT Infrastructure to Support the Implementation of Decision C-SS-4/DEC.3, and Transfer of a Portion of the 2016 Cash Surplus for this Purpose” (EC-89/DG.33, dated 12 October 2018) have also been submitted by the Council (EC-M-61/DEC.1) for consideration by the Conference at its Twenty-Third Session;



Hereby:

Approves:

1. the suspension, on an exceptional basis, of the application of Financial Regulation 6.3 with regard to the allocation of the cash surplus for 2016 among States Parties;
2. in accordance with Financial Regulation 6.9, the transfer of a portion of the 2016 cash surplus in the amount of EUR 777,175 to the Special Fund for Cybersecurity, Business Continuity, and Physical Infrastructure Security; and
3. in accordance with Financial Regulation 6.9, the transfer of a portion of the 2016 cash surplus in the amount of EUR 677,750 to the Special Fund for IT Infrastructure to Support the Implementation of Decision C-SS-4/DEC.3.

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