DECISION

SUBMISSION OF THE DRAFT PROGRAMME AND BUDGET OF THE OPCW FOR 2019 AND ALL ITEMS PERTAINING TO THIS BUDGET

The Executive Council,

Recalling that subparagraph 32(a) of Article VIII of the Chemical Weapons Convention (hereinafter “the Convention”) requires it to consider and submit to the Conference of the States Parties (hereinafter “the Conference”) the Draft Programme and Budget of the OPCW;

Having considered the Draft Programme and Budget of the OPCW for 2019 (EC-89/CRP.1/Rev.2, dated 12 October 2018 and Corr.1, dated 16 October 2018) and all items pertaining to this budget, as well as the Medium-Term Plan for the period from 2017 to 2021 (EC-83/S/1 C-21/S/1, dated 8 April 2016) and the detailed explanations provided by the Secretariat in this regard; and

Bearing in mind that the Council has not reached consensus on recommendations on the Draft Programme and Budget and inviting States Parties to continue their consultations;

Hereby:

Submits to the Conference at its Twenty-Third Session for further consideration:

1. the Draft Programme and Budget of the OPCW for 2019 (EC-89/CRP.1/Rev.2 and Corr.1) and the associated draft decision (EC-89/DEC/CRP.9, dated 12 October 2018);

2. the Note by the Director-General entitled “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 the associated draft decision (EC-89/DEC/CRP.7, dated 12 October 2018);

3. the Note by the Director-General entitled “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) and the associated draft decision (EC-89/DEC/CRP.8, dated 12 October 2018); and
4. the draft decision entitled “Cash Surplus for 2016” (EC-89/DEC/CRP.6, dated 12 October 2018).