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FOURTH SPECIAL SESSION OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE STATES PARTIES
TO REVIEW THE OPERATION OF THE CHEMICAL WEAPONS CONVENTION**

Mr Chairperson,

I join others in thanking you for your excellent leadership and commendable effort to bring consensus to this meeting.

My delegation views that today's outcome of the meeting and the atmosphere preceding to this conclusion as another sign that our Organisation may have to go through the potential of an unclear future and further division, at least in the next medium term.

We gather every five years for a Review Conference with the primary aim and sincere hope that, together, we can make improvement, correct past mistakes, and move forward with new and positive expectations.

Sadly, this noble goal is shying away from us due to wider division and the lack of flexibility and political will to actually wanting to see that the effort of making the world free of chemical weapon is achieved.

Looking forward, we call upon all parties to uphold and respect the convention in its totality, and to uphold and respect the principle of fair, equitable, and non-discriminatory implementation of the Convention in its truthful meaning, so that we will avoid repeating the same misunderstanding when we meet again five years from now.

I thank you, Mr Chairperson, and I request that this statement be recorded as an official document of this meeting.

Thank you.

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