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## REQUEST FOR THE INCLUSION OF AN ITEM IN THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE NINETY-SECOND SESSION OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL 8 – 11 OCTOBER 2019

By letter dated 27 September 2019 from the Permanent Representation of the Russian Federation, and pursuant to Rule 16(c) of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Council (hereinafter "the Council"), the Permanent Representation of the Russian Federation has requested the Director-General of the Technical Secretariat to include an item entitled "Update on the situation regarding the proposed technical changes to the Annex on Chemicals of the Chemical Weapons Convention: preparation for consideration of this issue at the Twenty-Fourth Session of the Conference of the States Parties" in the provisional agenda for the Ninety-Second Session of the Council.

Annex (English only):

Letter to the Director-General of the Technical Secretariat from the Permanent Representation of the Russian Federation

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## LETTER TO THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF THE TECHNICAL SECRETARIAT FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATION OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION



#### ПОСТОЯННЫЙ ПРЕДСТАВИТЕЛЬ РОССИЙСКОЙ ФЕДЕРАЦИИ ПРИ ОРГАНИЗАЦИИ ПО ЗАПРЕЩЕНИЮ ХИМИЧЕСКОГО ОРУЖИЯ

PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION TO THE ORGANISATION FOR THE PROHIBITION OF CHEMICAL WEAPONS

The Hague, « September 2019

Excellency,

The Russian Federation has prepared a modified proposal (S/1796/2019 dated 24 September 2019) aimed at introducing additions to Schedules of chemicals of the Annex on Chemicals to the Chemical Weapons Convention (hereinafter "the Convention").

In accordance with paragraph 5 (e) of Article XV of the Convention both the Russian proposal and the proposal jointly submitted by Canada, the Netherlands and the United States of America to add two families of toxic chemicals to Schedule 1 of the Annex on Chemicals to the Convention (S/1682/2018 dated 25 October 2018) should be considered at the 24<sup>th</sup> session of the Conference of the States Parties (CSP-24). As a result of consultations with representatives of Canada, the Netherlands and the United States of America there is an understanding that in case of consensus, both

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proposals could be adopted at the CSP-24 together, in parallel, under one agenda item.

In the light of the aforementioned in our view it is necessary to inform the members of the Executive Council at its  $92^{nd}$  session on the latest developments of this matter.

In this regard in accordance with Rule 16 c) of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Council the Russian Federation requests to include an additional agenda item: "Update on the situation regarding the proposed technical changes to the Annex on Chemicals of the CWC: preparation for consideration of this issue at the CSP-24".

I have the honour to request to circulate this proposal to all Member States of the Executive Council.

Please, accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Alexander SHULGIN