NOTE BY THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL

FINANCIAL STATUS OF THE SPECIAL FUND FOR CYBERSECURITY, BUSINESS CONTINUITY, AND PHYSICAL INFRASTRUCTURE SECURITY

1. At its Twenty-Third Session, the Conference of the States Parties (hereinafter “the Conference”) approved the establishment of the Special Fund for Cybersecurity, Business Continuity, and Physical Infrastructure Security (C-23/DEC.12, dated 20 November 2018) on the basis that, inter alia, the Director-General shall report to the Executive Council (hereinafter “the Council”) and the Conference on the status and expenditures of the Fund through the quarterly income and expenditure reports provided to the States Parties and through the annual audited financial statements of the OPCW.

2. In the report by the Director-General entitled “OPCW Income and Expenditure for the period 1 January to 30 June 2019 (Second Quarter of the Financial Year Ending 31 December 2019)” (S/1773/2019, dated 15 July 2019), the balance of the Fund was reported as EUR 582,671.

3. The Director-General hereby wishes to inform the Council that, as at the date of this Note, of the current balance of EUR 736,610 an amount of EUR 499,965 had been committed, reflecting a remaining uncommitted balance of EUR 236,645. In order to fulfil the requirements supported by the Fund, the Council is requested to recommend to the Conference at its Twenty-Fourth Session that it extend the Fund for a further period of 12 months, effective from the date of its decision.