

**ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN****STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN AT THE  
NINETY-SECOND SESSION OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL UNDER AGENDA  
SUBITEM 7 (K) STATUS OF IMPLEMENTATION OF ARTICLE XI**

Mr Chairperson,

Again, I should express the disappointment of my delegation on the lack of progress in the implementation of Article XI of the Convention. According to paragraph 1 of Article XI, the provisions of the Convention shall be implemented in a manner which avoids hampering the economic or technological development of States Parties, and international cooperation in the field of chemical activities for purposes not prohibited under the Convention including the international exchange of scientific and technical information, chemicals and equipment for the production, processing or use of chemicals for purposes not prohibited under the Convention. Despite the efforts made to this end, the facts on the ground indicate the non-compliance of some States Parties to their obligations, and objectives of Article XI are not materialised in a full and effective manner so far.

The annual review and evaluation workshops of the components of an agreed framework for the implementation of Article XI might have been useful for the development of concrete measures to enhance the implementation of this Article. However, we have no accurate evaluation and assessment of any success in the results and outputs of these workshops.

While welcoming some efforts made on international cooperation, my delegation strongly rejects imposing discriminatory restrictions and particularly unilateral sanctions against Member States which directly affects the health and medication of the victims of chemical weapons, as well as the technological development of the developing countries in this Organisation.

It is also essential for all States Parties, particularly the developed countries to play their important role in the full, effective and non-discriminatory implementation of Article XI and support the increase in the budget allocated to the implementation of this Article.

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