



EMBASSY OF ECUADOR
TO THE NETHERLANDS

REPUBLIC OF ECUADOR

STATEMENT BY AMBASSADOR ANDRÉS TERÁN PARRAL, PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF THE REPUBLIC OF ECUADOR TO THE OPCW, AT THE NINETY-FOURTH SESSION OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF THE OPCW

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The Republic of Ecuador reiterates its firm support for the technical work of the OPCW and the Investigation and Identification Team (IIT) and condemns in the strongest terms possible the use of chemical weapons by anyone, anywhere and under any circumstances. Ecuador notes with great concern the conclusions of the first report of the IIT on the use of Chemical Weapons in the Syrian Arab Republic.

In this sense, Ecuador expresses its full support for draft-decision EC-94/DEC/CRP.2/Rev.1, as presented by a group of States Parties, titled "*Addressing the Possession and Use of Chemical Weapons by the Syrian Arab Republic*". Ecuador hopes that this draft decision will reach consensus.

Ecuador would like to request that this statement be treated as an official document of the Ninety-Fourth Session of the Executive Council of the OPCW and be placed on the website and extranet of the Organisation.