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SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC

REQUEST FOR CIRCULATION OF A DOCUMENT AT THE NINETY-FOURTH SESSION OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

The Permanent Mission of the Syrian Arab Republic has requested that a note verbale addressed to the Technical Secretariat (dated 7 May 2020) be circulated as an official document of the Ninety-Fourth Session of the Executive Council.

Annex:

Note Verbale No. 33 from the Permanent Representation of the Syrian Arab Republic to the Technical Secretariat, dated 7 May 2020

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NOTE VERBALE NO. 33 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATION OF THE SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC TO THE TECHNICAL SECRETARIAT, DATED 7 MAY 2020

Permanent Mission Of The Syrian Arab Republic To The Organization For The Prohibition Of Chemical Weapons The Hague



No: 33 **Date:** May 7th 2020

Note Verbal

The Permanent Mission of the Syrian Arab Republic to the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons OPCW presents its compliments to the Technical Secretariat - Office of the Director General, and with reference to its note no. NV/ODG/223262/20 dated 21stApril 2020, has the honor to inform the Technical Secretariat of the following answer of the Syrian National Authority on what was mentioned in the Technical Secretariat Note regarding the incident of Aleppo 24 November 2018:

- 1. The Syrian National Authority has officially informed the Technical Secretariat in the Mission's Note no. 28 dated March 30th 2020, that all the information with material evidences requested by the Technical Secretariat's Fact Finding Mission (FFM) regarding the incident of Aleppo 24 November 2018, including all information and material evidences collected by the Russian Federation's military team, have been delivered to it, where there was technical participation in the field between the two Syrian and Russian technical teams, during which the Syrian technical side received the samples and material evidences from the Russian technical side, and that complete information and material evidence were delivered to the Fact Finding Mission (FFM), in the SSRC Center in Jamraya/ Damascus in the presence of the Russian technical team.
- 2. This corresponds exactly with the Russian Federation's statement delivered during the 93rd Session of the Executive Council, under the item (6f), titled: "Technical Secretariat's activities: update on the OPCW Fact Finding Mission FFM in Syria", Which publish it as official document of the Executive Council and was issued in the document EC-93/NAT.31.
- 3. The Syrian National Authority is surprised of the re-request for those information and material evidences one more time, although the Syrian National

Authority has confirmed that it has handed over to the Fact Finding Mission (FFM) all the information and material evidences that it possess and what the Russian side has of information and material evidences. The Syrian National Authority considers that the Fact Finding Mission (FFM) now has all the information necessary to conclude its investigations on the incident of Aleppo which took place on November 24th 2018, and requests the Fact Finding Mission (FFM) to issue its final report as soon as possible.

4. The Permanent Mission of the Syrian Arab Republic to the OPCW is requesting the Technical Secretariat to consider this note verbal as an official document of the 94th Session of the Executive Council, and make it available to all States Parties by posting it on both the external server and the OPCW public website.

The Permanent Mission of the Syrian Arab Republic would like to ask the Technical Secretariat to consider this Information as Unclassified.

The Permanent Mission of the Syrian Arab Republic avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Technical Secretariat of the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons the assurances of its highest consideration.



The Organization for the Prohibition Of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) <u>The Hague.</u>

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