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**STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF THE REPUBLIC OF NICARAGUA TO  
THE OPCW AT THE NINETY-FOURTH SESSION OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL**

Mr Chairperson, Mr Director-General, Your Excellencies, Distinguished Delegates,

As this is the first time that our delegation is taking the floor in this illustrious forum, Nicaragua would like to welcome H.E. Agustín Vásquez Gómez as Chairperson of the Ninety-Fourth Session of the Executive Council. Our delegation trusts in your leadership to successfully oversee the sessions of this important body.

Likewise, we extend our welcome to H.E. Andrea Perugini for the work he carried out over the past year as the Chairperson of the Executive Council.

Our delegation aligns itself with the statements made by the Group of Latin American and Caribbean Countries and the Non-Aligned Movement and China.

Nicaragua reiterates its recognition of and support for the constitutional President Nicolás Maduro, who was democratically elected and is exercising his functions in the sovereign State of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela. At the same time, we categorically reject the statements made by States Parties that continue to impose their own political agendas within a technical organisation such as the OPCW.

To that end, we reiterate our support for the sole legitimate leader of Venezuela, President Nicolás Maduro, and his Permanent Representatives to the OPCW and other international organisations.

The delegation of Nicaragua requests that this statement be considered an official document of the Ninety-Fourth Session of the OPCW Executive Council and published on the Organisation's external server and website.

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