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**NOMINATION FOR MEMBERSHIP OF THE ADVISORY BODY ON
ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL MATTERS**

Pursuant to the amended Rules of Procedure of the Advisory Body on Administrative and Financial Matters (ABAF) (Annex 2 to ABAF-27/1, dated 3 September 2009 and Corr.1, dated 15 October 2009), annexed to this Note is the nomination of Ms Yoko Sakurai of Japan as a candidate for the ABAF, replacing Mr Arata Mizukami.

Annexes (English only):

- Annex 1: Note Verbale from the Permanent Representation of the Japan to the OPCW
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Annex 1

**NOTE VERBALE
FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATION OF JAPAN TO THE OPCW**

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THE NETHERLANDS

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The Embassy of Japan in the Kingdom of the Netherlands presents its compliments to the Technical Secretariat of the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) and has the honour to communicate to the latter the nomination of Ms. SAKURAI Yoko, Second Secretary, Embassy of Japan in the Kingdom of the Netherlands and an alternate member of the Delegation of Japan to the OPCW as a member of the Advisory Body on Administrative and Financial Matters (ABAF) of the OPCW, to replace Mr. MIZUKAMI Arata, whose current three-year term as a member of ABAF is set to expire on 21 September 2020. In this connection, the personal history of Ms. SAKURAI Yoko is attached hereto.

The Embassy of Japan would be appreciative if this matter were included in the relevant agenda item of the next session of the Executive Council.

The Embassy of Japan in the Kingdom of the Netherlands avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Technical Secretariat the assurances of its highest consideration.

The Hague

8 September 2020

Technical Secretariat of the
Organisation for the Prohibition
of Chemical Weapons



Annex 2

CURRICULUM VITAE OF CANDIDATE

Personal Details

Family Name: Sakurai

First Name: Yoko

Date of Birth: 23 April 1981

Work Experience

Ms. Sakurai has held various positions in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (MOFA) since joining in April 2005, as follows:

September 2020 – Present

Second Secretary, CWC Department, and concurrently Protocol and General Affairs Department, Embassy of Japan in the Netherlands

Alternates, Permanent Representation of Japan to the OPCW

May 2020- August 2020

Assistant Director at Foreign Nationals' Affairs Division, Consular Affairs Bureau, MOFA

July 2015 – May 2020

Assistant Director in charge of Japan-Malaysia relations at Second Southeast Asia Division, Southeast and Southwest Asian Affairs Department, MOFA

May 2014 – July 2015

Official in charge of the Agreement on Government Procurement at International Trade Division, Economic Affairs Bureau, MOFA

July 2012- May 2014

Official at WTO Dispute Settlement Division, Economic Affairs Bureau, MOFA

May 2008 – July 2012

Third Secretary, Protocol and General Affairs Section and later transferred to Political Section, Embassy of Japan in Malaysia

June 2006 – May 2008

Attache (in Malaysia)

Education

Ms. Sakurai earned:

International Masters in ASEAN Studies at University of Malaya in Malaysia in 2008, and Bachelor of Arts in English Literature at Kobe College in Japan in 2004.

Language

Japanese (mother tongue), English and Malay