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**UPDATED MATRIX OF ACTIONABLE ITEMS IDENTIFIED
AT THE THIRD REVIEW CONFERENCE**

Following the request by the Seventy-Third Session of the Executive Council (hereinafter “the Council”) (paragraph 13.1 of EC-73/6, dated 19 July 2013), the Director-General hereby submits the updated matrix document based on the report of the Third Review Conference (RC-3/3*, dated 19 April 2013). The cut-off date for this document was 17 August 2020. In line with the decision of the Council at its Ninety-First Session, the last full version of the matrix document was issued before the Ninety-Second Session of the Council (EC 92/S/5, dated 25 September 2019).

Annex (English only): Matrix of Actionable Items Identified at the Third Review Conference



Annex

MATRIX OF ACTIONABLE ITEMS IDENTIFIED AT THE THIRD REVIEW CONFERENCE

RC-3/3* Ref.	Task	Cluster ¹ / Facilitation	Follow-up/Updates	History of Recommendations ²
9.17	Intention to keep [...] declarations (mentioned in paras 9.3 to 9.16) under review at each regular session of the Conference of the States Parties	n/a	Council and Conference to review; States Parties to take action as required; Secretariat to take action as required; para 12 of EC-94/4, dated 9 July 2020; S/1879/2020, dated 15 June 2020; S/1883/2020, dated 14 July 2020.	
<p>Part B: Review of the Operation of the Chemical Weapons Convention as Provided for in Paragraph 22 of Article VIII, Taking into Account any Relevant Scientific and Technological Developments</p> <p>Ensuring the Universality of the Chemical Weapons Convention</p>				
9.34	[...] Called for the adequate funding for the OPCW's universality activities, through the regular budget and voluntary funding	(budget facilitation)	Conference and Council to take action; States Parties to take action; Secretariat to take action; EC-95/CRP.1, dated 3 July 2020	(EC-94/INF.1 dated 7 May 2020, Section III.1 of Annex I)

¹ Cluster I: Chemical Weapons Issues; Cluster II: Chemical Industry and Other Article VI Issues; Cluster III: Administrative and Financial Issues; Cluster IV: Legal, Organisational and Other Issues.

² The reference to "Regular and Outstanding Issues on the Agenda of the Executive Council" (EC-94/INF.1, dated 7 May 2020) is included if the issue is already on the agenda of the Executive Council.

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9.62(b)	<p>Requested the Conference and the Council to continue to keep under review and oversee the completion of destruction of chemical weapons stockpiles and, in this regard, underlined the importance of continuing to receive the Director-General's confirmation that the necessary measures are being undertaken by the possessor States concerned to meet the planned completion dates for their destruction activities</p>	Cluster I	<p>Conference and Council to continue to take action; Secretariat to continue to take action; EC-94/DG.5, dated 25 May 2020; EC-94/DG.12, dated 24 June 2020, EC-94/DG.18, dated 1 July 2020; paras 6.5 and 6.6 of EC-94/4, dated 9 July 2020; EC-94/DEC.2, dated 9 July 2020; EC-95/DG.1, dated 24 July 2020; EC-95/DG.4, dated 24 August 2020.</p>	<p>C-16/DEC.11, dated 1 December 2011; EC-M-33/DEC.1, dated 27 September 2013; EC-M-34/DEC.1, dated 15 November 2013; EC-M-42/DEC.1, dated 17 June 2014; EC-M-51/DEC.1, dated 24 February 2016; EC-M-52/DEC.1, dated 20 July 2016; EC-M-52/DEC.2, dated 27 July 2016; EC-M-53/DEC.1, dated 26 August 2016; EC-M-53/DEC.2, dated 26 August 2016; EC-84/DEC.2, dated 8 March 2017</p>

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9.62(c)	Encouraged the Director-General to continue consulting with the possessor States concerned in order to continue improving the reporting that is required from the States Parties concerned [...] and requested that future reporting by the possessor States concerned, on the basis of C-16/DEC.11, continue to contain information on the progress achieved to meet the planned completion date by which the destruction of the remaining chemical weapons is to be completed	Cluster I	Secretariat to continue to take action; Possessor States Parties to continue to take action; EC-94/P/NAT.3, dated 20 May 2020; EC-94/P/NAT.4, dated 16 June 2020. EC-94/NAT.11, dated 17 June 2020; EC-95/P/NAT.1, dated 16 July 2020; EC-95/P/NAT.2, dated 18 July 2020	C-16/DEC.11
9.62(d)	Requested the Director-General to continue to provide a written report to the Council and the Conference as per their relevant decisions	Cluster I	EC-94/DG.5, dated 25 May 2020; and EC-94/DG.12.	C-16/DEC.11; EC-M-33/DEC.1, dated 27 September 2013; EC-M-34/DEC.1, dated 15 November 2013; EC-84/DEC.2, dated 8 March 2017
9.62(f)	Urged the relevant States Parties to continue to make the fullest possible efforts to complete destruction of abandoned chemical weapons as soon as possible in accordance with the Council decision (EC-67/DEC.6) and encouraged continued cooperation between relevant States Parties to that effect	Cluster I	Relevant States Parties to continue to take action; EC-94/DG.19, dated 1 July 2020; EC-94/NAT.12, dated 18 June 2020; EC-94/NAT.13, dated 18 June 2020; paras 6.7 to 6.11 of EC-94/4.	Para 9.37 of RC-2/4, dated 18 April 2008; (Section I.2 of Annex 1 of EC-94/INF.1, dated 7 May 2020); EC-67/DEC.6, dated 15 February 2012

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Verification Activities of the OPCW				
9.79(b)	Encouraged States Parties' National Authorities, in a position to do so, to submit declarations in an electronic form, and further requested the Secretariat to continue providing States Parties with appropriate training and assistance	Clusters II and IV (Industry Cluster and Article VII facilitations)	States Parties to take action; Secretariat to continue to take action; As at August 2020, 60 States Parties have registered with the SIX system. In 2020, training on EDIS has been delivered to National Authorities in the Asia and GRULAC regions.	Paras 9.46 and 9.67(b) of RC-2/4; (EC-94/INF.1, Section II.5 of Annex 2 and IV.3 of Annex 1)
9.79(e)	Encouraged the Secretariat through the National Authorities to continue to strengthen relations with respective national chemical industry. The Secretariat is also encouraged to strengthen its relationship with regional and international chemical industry associations.	Clusters II and IV (Industry Cluster and Article XI facilitations)	Secretariat to continue to take action (provision of additional resources to be considered); States Parties to take action; Secretariat activities: OPCW and International Chemical Trade Association (ICTA) concluded an exchange of letters formalising the relationship between the two bodies (S/1880/2020, dated 25 June 2020).	Subpara 9.116(h) of RC 2/4; (EC-94/INF.1, Section IV.1 of Annex 1)
Activities Not Prohibited Under the Chemical Weapons Convention				
9.81	Called for the adequate funding for the OPCW's verification activities under Article VI, through the regular budget and voluntary funding	Cluster III (budget facilitation)	Conference and Council to take action; States Parties to take action; Secretariat to take action; S/1879/2020; S/1883/2020.	(EC-94/INF.1, Section III.1 of Annex 1)
9.95(c)	Urged States Parties to ensure that declarations are submitted in a timely, complete, and accurate manner, consistent with the provisions of the Convention, making use of the Secretariat's resources, as appropriate	Clusters II and IV (Industry Cluster and Article VII facilitations)	States Parties to take action; Secretariat to continue to assist; EC-94/DG.13, dated 24 June 2020.	(EC-94/INF.1, Section II.5 of Annex 2 and IV.3 of Annex 1)

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9.95(g)	Called upon States Parties and the Secretariat to continue working to identify the causes of discrepancies related to Article VI declarations, such as those relating to aggregate national data for Schedule 2 and 3 transfers, as well as Other OCPF ³ declarations, and recommend possible solutions and alternatives to the policy-making organs	Cluster II (Industry Cluster facilitation)	Verification Implementation Report (VIR) 2019 (EC-94/HP/DG.1, dated 11 May 2020) contains info on the status of transfer discrepancies for annual declarations on past activities (ADPA) in 2018.	Para 9.71 of RC-2/4; (EC-94/INF.1, Section II.2(ii) of Annex 2)
National Implementation Measures				
9.97	Called for the adequate funding for the OPCW's national implementation programmes, through the regular budget and voluntary funding	Cluster III (budget facilitation)	Conference and Council to take action; States Parties to take action; Secretariat to take action; S/1879/2020; S/1883/2020.	(EC-94/INF.1, Section III.1 of Annex 1)
Consultations, Cooperation, and Fact-Finding				
9.111(c)	Requested the Secretariat to keep the Council informed about its readiness and to report any problems that may arise in relation to maintaining the necessary level of readiness to conduct a challenge inspection or an investigation of alleged use	Cluster IV	Secretariat to continue to take action; EC-94/DG.14, dated 25 June 2020).	Para 9.90 of RC-2/4
9.118(i)	Encouraged States Parties to facilitate and make materials and equipment-related assistance available to other States Parties to assist and support the victims of chemical weapons, without undue restrictions	Cluster I (Article X facilitation)	States Parties to take action; Secretariat to continue to assist; EC-94/S/8, dated 25 June 2020.	(EC-94/INF.1, Section I.4 of Annex 1)

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The General Functioning of the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons				
9.138	Called for the adequate funding for the functioning of the Organisation, through the regular budget and voluntary funding	Cluster III (budget facilitation)	Conference and Council to take action; States Parties to take action; Secretariat to take action; S/1879/2020; S/1883/2020.	(EC-94/INF.1, Section III.1 of Annex 1)
9.155(f)	Requested the Director-General to continue to report regularly to the Council on the continued implementation of the tenure policy, including the implications for the OPCW's effectiveness and efficiency, and any limited exceptions to the normal policy that may be necessary on these grounds	Cluster III	Secretariat to continue to take action; EC-94/DG.15, dated 25 June 2020.	EC-M-22/DEC.1, dated 28 March 2003; Para 9.139 of RC-2/4
9.155(k)	Encouraged the Secretariat to continue its efforts to be more compact, flexible, and efficient, optimising its use of human and financial resources while ensuring that sufficient resources are available to support the effective implementation of the Convention, and to keep the Council regularly informed of progress via the annual Budget process	Cluster III (budget facilitation)	Secretariat to continue to take action; A second all-staff COVID-19 Pulse Survey was conducted with an additional focus on assessing the readiness of staff to start using office spaces again. This survey was initiated by the Human Resources Branch. The feedback from this survey helped inform the work of the COVID task force as they prepared for a phased return to the office. A resilience programme was developed and launched to respond to COVID-19-related psycho-social and organisational challenges. A number of webinars were delivered to all staff by the Staff Relation and Welfare Officer in collaboration with HRB and external experts; these offered in-depth sensitisation on ways to develop resilience at the individual, team, and organisational levels. In addition to putting in place processes to bring newly hired staff on board remotely, a series of remote orientation days for new staff and new managers were designed and implemented. This has significantly contributed to a	Para 9.143 of RC-2/4 (EC-94/INF.1, Section III.1 of Annex 1)

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9.155(1)	Encouraged the Secretariat to continue to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of its work	Cluster III	smooth and seamless remote on-boarding process for new staff during these unprecedented pandemic times. EC-94/DG.15	

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