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**Statement of the Association of Supporting Victims of Chemical Weapons**

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Mr. Chairman, Secretary-General, Excellencies, Ladies and Gentlemen:

Victims of chemical weapons, regardless of their country, are the results of inhumane acts and shall receive global protection. We, the victims, the living evidence of those crimes, are here as the current active colleagues of our Organization.

As the secretary-general of a public-based and non-profit organization, and on behalf of its 5,000 disabled members who have been victims of such attacks, I state my pleasure of being present in this most successful international organization, and request the States Parties to launch the following plans:

1. International prosecution of companies producing and selling chemical weapons through the established international bodies of judgment and tribunals, thereby forcing them and the users of those weapons to pay war reparations to the victims who are the main victims of Saddam Hussain's chemical attacks.
2. Health has been stipulated in the statute of the World Health Organization and the Human Rights Charter as a social right; and drug sanctions are a response to violations of the Human Rights Declaration. These international and unilateral sanctions have violated the Iranian citizens' rights and to the same extent the victims of chemical weapons are suffering from drug shortages. The current situation has doubled the critical condition of the drug shortage as the Covid-19 virus expansion has imposed its danger; therefore, we request to arrange for financial channels to enable authorities to purchase necessary medicines for our chemical weapons victims.
3. To create a support network for rehabilitating the victims of chemical weapons and provide protection coverage for this Association in order to enable it to develop its health services. And lastly,
4. Documenting the damages, sufferings and tragedies which have occurred to the victims of chemical weapons and their families is one of the most important needs of this Convention; therefore, we strongly recommend to launch necessary plans to record the memoirs, verbal histories, and documents of each victim; and to support this Association's plans in this regard. It is evident that releasing the records of these events will contribute to global will and knowledge in preventing a repetition of such tragedies.

Thank you for your attention, and I wish this statement be made part of the published Conference proceedings.