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SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC

REQUEST FOR CIRCULATION OF A DOCUMENT AT THE NINETY-SIXTH 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 19 February 2021, be circulated as an official document of the Ninety-Sixth Session of the Executive Council.

Annex: Note Verbale No. 16 from the Permanent Mission of the Syrian Arab Republic

to the Technical Secretariat, Dated 19 February 2021

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NOTE VERBALE NO. 16 FROM THE PERMANENT MISSION OF THE SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC TO THE TECHNICAL SECRETARIAT, DATED 19 FEBRUARY 2021

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



No: 16

Date: February 19th 2021

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, and would like to share the information received from the Syrian National Authority:

The terrorist armed groups located in "Bab Alhawa" crossing border between the Syrian Arab Republic and Turkey, prepared long convoys of military machineries and ambulances, in addition to a large number of the terrorists of so called "the national army" terrorist group, wearing the vests of the so called "White Helmet" terrorist group, and carrying weapons and missiles with heads containing chemicals.

Furthermore, the terrorist groups are also preparing to fabricate chemical attacks in three locations in Idlib Governorate to accuse the Syrian Arab Army of committing them.

The Permanent Mission of the Syrian Arab Republic would kindly ask the Technical Secretariat to consider this information as unclassified and to publish and circulate this Note Verbal to all State Parties as an official document of the 96th session of the Executive Council.

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.

Attachment: (one) page in Arabic

The Organization for the Prohibition Of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) The Hague.



Official translation

According to the information received by the relevant Syrian authorities, armed terrorist groups present at the "Bab al-Hawa" crossing on the Syrian-Turkish borders have prepared large convoys of military vehicles and ambulances, in addition to large numbers of terrorists of the so-called "National Army" terrorist group, wearing the "uniform" of the so-called "White Helmets" terrorist organisation and equipped with weapons and missiles carrying chemical warheads. The nature of these preparations indicates that the said terrorist groups are preparing false-flag attacks with chemical weapons to blame them on the Syrian Arab Army.

In addition, the terrorist groups are preparing to stage false-flag chemical attacks in three locations in the Idlib Governorate to blame them on the Syrian Arab Army.

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