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20 – 22 April 2021 (Part II)

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**TENTATIVE PROGRAMME OF WORK
FOR THE TWENTY-FIFTH SESSION
OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE STATES PARTIES
20 – 22 APRIL 2021**

PART 1

30 November – 1 December 2020

Monday, 30 November 2020

10:00 – 13:00

Agenda Item 1	Opening of the session
Agenda Item 2	Election of the Chairperson
Agenda Item 3	Election of Vice-Chairpersons and other officers
Agenda Item 4	Adoption of the agenda
Agenda Item 5	Organisation of work and establishment of subsidiary bodies
Agenda Item 6	Appointment of the Credentials Committee
Agenda Item 7	Statement by the Director-General
Agenda Item 13	Programme and Budget of the OPCW for 2021, submitted by the Executive Council, and all items pertaining to this Budget
Agenda Item 14	Scale of assessments for 2021
Agenda Item 17	Administrative and financial matters:
Subitem 17(a)	Submission of the 2020 Financial Statements to the External Auditor
Subitem 17(f)	Amendments to the OPCW Financial Regulations and Rules

Tuesday, 1 December 2020

14:45 – 15:00

Ceremony on the observance of the Day of Remembrance for All Victims of Chemical Warfare

15:00 – 18:00

Agenda Item 13
Programme and Budget of the OPCW for 2021, submitted by the Executive Council, and all items pertaining to this Budget (continued, if required)



PART 2¹
20 – 22 April 2021

Tuesday, 20 April 2021

10:00-12:00

Agenda Item 5	Organisation of work and establishment of subsidiary bodies (continued)
Agenda Item 7	Statement by the Director-General (continued)
Agenda Item 9	Status of implementation of the Chemical Weapons Convention:
Subitem 9(a)	Progress report on the implementation of the plan of action regarding the implementation of Article VII obligations
Subitem 9(b)	Implementation of the regime governing the handling of confidential information by the Technical Secretariat in 2019
Subitem 9(d)	Addressing the threat from chemical weapons use
Agenda Item 12	Election of Member States to membership in the Executive Council

12:00-13:00

Reserved for the Sixty-Fifth Meeting of the Executive Council

15:00-15:30

Reserved for the Sixty-Fifth Meeting of the Executive Council (if required)

15:30-18:00

Agenda Item 9	Status of implementation of the Chemical Weapons Convention:
Subitem 9(d)	Addressing the threat from chemical weapons use (continued)
Agenda Item 10	Annual report of the OPCW on the implementation of the Chemical Weapons Convention in 2019
Agenda Item 11	Annual report of the Executive Council on the performance of its activities for the period from 13 July 2019 to 12 July 2020
Agenda Item 15	External Auditor's report on the audited Financial Statements of the OPCW and the Provident Fund for 2019
Agenda Item 17	Administrative and financial matters (continued):
Subitem 17(b)	Special Fund for OPCW Special Missions
Subitem 17(c)	Status of implementation by States Parties of agreed multi-year payment plans to regularise the payment of their outstanding annual contributions

¹ Agenda (sub)items 9(a), 9(b), 10, 11, 15, 17(b), 17(c), 17(d), 17(e), 17(g), 18, 19, 20, 21, and 23 were considered during the pre-session informal consultation process, and no substantive comments or objections were received by States Parties on these (sub)items during the process. Therefore, the Chairperson of the Conference of the States Parties will ask the Conference whether it is amenable to taking the action indicated on the Annotated Provisional Agenda on these agenda items at the beginning of the session.

	Subitem 17(d)	Cash situation and the use of the Working Capital Fund for the financial year to 31 August 2020
	Subitem 17(e)	Transfers of funds during 2019
Agenda Item 18	Subitem 17(g)	Annual report of the Office of Internal Oversight for 2019
Agenda Item 19		Fostering of international cooperation for peaceful purposes in the field of chemical activities
Agenda Item 20		Ensuring the universality of the Chemical Weapons Convention
Agenda Item 21		The OPCW Programme for Africa
		Engagement with the chemical industry and the scientific community

Wednesday, 21 April 2021

11:00-14:00

Agenda Item 9		Status of implementation of the Chemical Weapons Convention:
	Subitem 9(c)	Implementation of the Conference of the States Parties and Executive Council decisions on destruction-related issues
Agenda Item 16	Subitem 9(d)	Addressing the threat from chemical weapons use (continued)
		Appointment of the External Auditor

16:00-19:00

Agenda Item 16		Appointment of the External Auditor (continued)
Agenda Item 9		Status of implementation of the Chemical Weapons Convention:
	Subitem 9(d)	Addressing the threat from chemical weapons use (continued, if required)
Agenda Item 22		Reports of subsidiary bodies
Agenda Item 23		Follow-up to the Third Review Conference ²
Agenda Item 24		Any other business

Thursday, 22 April 2021

15:00-18:00

Agenda Item 25		Adoption of the report of the Conference of the States Parties
		Presentations on the new OPCW Extranet and the electronic voting system
Agenda Item 26		Closure

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² Third Special Session of the Conference of the States Parties to Review the Operation of the Chemical Weapons Convention.