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NOTE BY THE TECHNICAL SECRETARIAT

**CALL FOR NOMINATIONS
TO THE ADVISORY BOARD ON EDUCATION AND OUTREACH**

1. The Technical Secretariat of the OPCW (the Secretariat) wishes to inform States Parties that the terms of reference of the Advisory Board on Education and Outreach (ABEO), which are annexed to a decision of the Conference of the States Parties at its Twentieth Session (C-20/DEC.9, dated 3 December 2015), stipulate in paragraph 8 that the “term of office of members of the Advisory Board will be three years. A member may serve for two terms, which may be consecutive”.
2. At the end of 2024, four members of the ABEO will end their second term of office on the Board. These Board members are listed in Annex 1 to this Note. Additionally, 11 members will be completing their first term of office on the ABEO in 2024.
3. In order to ensure the retention of relevant knowledge and experience within the ABEO, the Director-General intends to reappoint some of the current members for a second term, so as to avoid a situation in the future in which all Board members would have to be replaced at the same time.
4. In the light of the above, the Secretariat invites States Parties to nominate experts, to be appointed by the Director-General after a selection process, to serve on the ABEO from 2025 to 2027. Nominations should be submitted both for reappointments and for new members.
5. In its continued quest for gender equality, the Secretariat requests that, should any given State Party wish to put forward two nominations, one of the two nominated candidates be female.
6. With reference to paragraph 5 of the aforementioned terms of reference, nominees to be proposed should be “eminent persons with expertise in subjects of direct relevance to the Board’s purpose”.
7. When selecting candidates for nomination, States Parties should also take into consideration two key themes that have emerged as relevant for the work in education and outreach: (1) active learning approaches and (2) technology-enabled learning (such as online courses or blended learning). Candidates with experience in either of these areas could in particular enhance the Board’s contribution to the Organisation’s education and outreach work.

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8. Nominees should be proposed on the basis of their qualifications and experience, with States Parties taking into account their publications, academic or professional activities, distinctions, and international experience.
9. Nominees should be ready to make substantive contributions at ABEO sessions, during intersessional periods, and at other relevant events. Nominees are requested to submit a written statement describing how they intend to have a substantial impact on the work of the ABEO and the OPCW.
10. The Secretariat requests States Parties to submit nominations **by 30 June 2024** using the attached nomination form (Annex 2). The form should be accompanied by the curriculum vitae of the nominee and by the written statement (up to 500 words) mentioned in paragraph 9 above.

Annexes:

Annex 1: List of ABEO Members Whose Second Term of Office Is Due to Finish in 2024

Annex 2: Call for Nominations to the Advisory Board on Education and Outreach –
(English only) Nomination Form

Annex 1**LIST OF ABEO MEMBERS WHOSE
SECOND TERM OF OFFICE IS DUE TO FINISH IN 2024**

| Member | State Party | Date of End of Term of Office |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Craig Cormick | Australia | 31 December 2024 |
| Rocael Hernández Rizzardini | Guatemala | 31 December 2024 |
| Mohd Jamil Maah | Malaysia | 31 December 2024 |
| Shahab Ud Din | Pakistan | 31 December 2024 |

Annex 2**CALL FOR NOMINATIONS
TO THE ADVISORY BOARD ON EDUCATION AND OUTREACH****NOMINATION FORM**

Nominees are kindly requested to submit the completed form, together with their curriculum vitae and a written statement describing how they intend to have a substantive impact on the work of the ABEO and the OPCW by **30 June 2024** to:

Secretary to the Advisory Board on Education and Outreach
OPCW, Johan de Wittlaan 32, 2517 JR The Hague, the Netherlands
Email: luisa.sanchezbravo@opcw.org

Please type or use BLOCK LETTERS

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| Title | |
| Family name* | |
| First name(s)* | |
| Date of birth | Day: Month: Year: |
| Citizenship | |
| Gender | Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Relevant areas of expertise** and how these would support the implementation of the Chemical Weapons Convention | |
| Work/roles similar to those of an Advisory Board on Education and Outreach member that the nominee has successfully undertaken previously*** | |
| Employer | |
| Position | |
| Contact address | |
| Email address | |
| Telephone numbers, including country and city codes | Work: Mobile: |

* Please give the first and family names exactly as they appear in the nominee's passport.

** See paragraphs 6 and 7 of the Note above, to which this nomination form is attached.

*** See paragraph 8 of the Note above, to which this nomination form is attached. The nominee should be prepared to provide contact details of referees from such work.