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DECISION

LISTS OF NEWLY VALIDATED DATA ON NON-SCHEDULED CHEMICALS RELEVANT TO THE CHEMICAL WEAPONS CONVENTION FOR INCLUSION IN THE OPCW CENTRAL ANALYTICAL DATABASE

The Executive Council,

Recalling that the Executive Council (the Council) at its Fourth Session adopted a decision on the "Proposed Mechanism for Updating the OPCW Central Analytical Database" (EC-IV/DEC.2, dated 5 September 1997), which was subsequently adopted by the Conference of the States Parties (the Conference) at its Second Session (subparagraph 11.2(c) of C-II/8, dated 5 December 1997);

Also recalling that the Director-General established a Validation Group to evaluate new data proposed for inclusion in the OPCW Central Analytical Database (OCAD) and that the Group, at its fifty-sixth meeting on 13 and 14 September 2023 (in a hybrid format), forwarded the lists of validated analytical data on non-scheduled chemicals relevant to the Chemical Weapons Convention (the Convention), with their justification statements, to the Director-General for appropriate action (S/2214/2023, dated 9 October 2023);

Recalling further that the Director-General has forwarded to the Council for consideration at its 105th Session the Note entitled "Lists of Newly Validated Data on Non-Scheduled Chemicals Relevant to the Chemical Weapons Convention for Approval by the Executive Council for Inclusion in the OPCW Central Analytical Database" (EC-105/DG.5, dated 17 January 2024);

Recalling further that the use of data on non-scheduled chemicals relevant to the Convention during inspections is subject to the inspected State Party's agreement, in accordance with the decision of the Council at its Eighty-Sixth Session (EC-86/DEC.10, dated 13 October 2017) and of the Conference at its First Session (C-I/DEC.64, dated 22 May 1997 and Corr.1, dated 13 October 1997);

Bearing in mind that the Verification Division made available to States Parties, upon request, copies of the newly validated tandem mass spectrometry (MS/MS) data listed in the Annex to EC-105/DG.5 and that, in accordance with the mechanism for updating the OCAD, referred to in the first paragraph above, any State Party with concerns about the proposed inclusion in the OCAD of any data contained in the Annex to EC-105/DG.5 had the opportunity to make their concerns known to the Technical Secretariat (the Secretariat) before the 105th Session of the Council;

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Also bearing in mind that no concerns in relation to the proposed inclusion in the OCAD of any of the data listed in the Annex to EC-105/DG.5 and reproduced in the Annex hereto were communicated to the Secretariat before the 105th Session of the Council; and

Further bearing in mind that the States Parties can raise their concerns about the inclusion in the OCAD of any of the data annexed to this decision, for consideration by the Secretariat and the Council;

Hereby:

- 1. **Approves** the inclusion in the OCAD of the lists of newly validated data annexed hereto; and
- 2. **Recognises** that the use of data on non-scheduled chemicals relevant to the Convention during inspections is subject to the inspected State Party's agreement, in accordance with EC-86/DEC.10 and C-I/DEC.64 and Corr.1.

Annex (English only): Lists of Newly Validated Data on Non-Scheduled Chemicals Relevant to the Chemical Weapons Convention

Annex

LISTS OF NEWLY VALIDATED DATA ON NON-SCHEDULED CHEMICALS RELEVANT TO THE CHEMICAL WEAPONS CONVENTION

TABLE: LIST OF APPROVED MS/MS DATA ON NON-SCHEDULED CHEMICALS RELEVANT TO THE CONVENTION

OPCW Code	Chemical Name	Schedule	Justification*
35-5-0001	Tributyl phosphate	Standard**	Reference standards for evaluation
35-5-0002	Tributyl phosphate	Standard	
35-5-0003	Tributyl phosphate	Standard	

^{*} A classification, such as those assigned to non-scheduled GC/MS¹ data used for on-site analysis, is not necessary for MS/MS data, as it is used only by off-site laboratories.

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^{**} Reference chemicals (noted as Standards in this table) are required for evaluation in accordance with S/2189/2023 (dated 12 July 2023).

GC/MS = gas chromatography-mass spectrometry.