

**STATEMENT**  
**BY**  
**THE DELEGATION OF**  
**THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN**  
**AT**  
**THE 105<sup>th</sup> SESSION OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL**  
**UNDER AGENDA 7(e)**

**Mr. Chairperson,**

Without prejudice to the position of my delegation on establishment of the IIT, I would like to State the following on this agenda item:

We have received several reports by the government of Syria on the repeated uses of CWs by the terrorist groups over the last decade. Subsequently the FFM conclusion in 2022 on the use of mustard gas by ISIS confirmed the Syrian reports.

The frequent use of chemical weapons especially by those terrorist groups who have been supported by certain State Parties, posed a serious threat to the regional peace and security in the Middle East and beyond.

States Parties under the Article I undertaken never under any circumstances assist, encourage or induce in any way, anyone to engage in any activity prohibited. Therefore further investigation shall be carried out on various aspects of the chemical programs of ISIS including on the truth on the route of the production of chemical weapons, the knowledge and raw materials of the said program as well as the delivery devices, equipment and infrastructure. The perpetrators, sponsors, organizers and anyone involved in the acquisition, transfer and use of chemical by the ISIS shall be held accountable

The attempts and appetite of other terrorist groups in Syria including Jabha Al Nusra, Tahri Al Sham, Syrian Free Army, to acquire and use of chemical weapons shall be investigated in the framework of the CWC verification regime.

I request that this statement be posted as an official document of this session on the OPCW catalyst and public website.

**Thank you.**