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NOTE BY THE TECHNICAL SECRETARIAT

NOMINATION BY THE REPUBLIC OF TUNISIA OF A CANDIDATE FOR THE APPOINTMENT TO THE POSITION OF DIRECTOR-GENERAL

- 1. At its 108th Session, the Executive Council (the Council) adopted a decision on the "Road Map for the Process of the Appointment of the Next Director-General in 2025" (EC-108/DEC.5, dated 6 March 2025), requesting the Chairperson of the Council to invite, on the Council's behalf, States Parties to present their nominations of candidates for the position of Director-General of the Technical Secretariat of the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) by no later than 16 May 2025, to enable their consideration by the Council.
- 2. The Permanent Representation of the Republic of Tunisia to the OPCW has submitted to the Technical Secretariat a note verbale informing it of the nomination of H.E. Ambassador Sabri Bachtobji as candidate for the position of Director-General.
- 3. In accordance with EC-108/DEC.5, the above-mentioned note verbale is herewith conveyed to the members of the Council.

Annex (English only):

Note Verbale No. 67/2025 from the Permanent Representation of the Republic of Tunisia to the OPCW Dated 15 May 2025

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NOTE VERBALE NO. 67/2025 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATION OF THE REPUBLIC OF TUNISIA TO THE OPCW DATED 15 MAY 2025

The Republic of Tunisia **** Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Migration and Tunisians abroad **** Permanent Representation of Tunisia in The Hague



<u>Ref.</u> 67/2025

The Permanent Representation of the Republic of Tunisia to the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) presents its compliments to the Technical Secretariat of the Organisation and, with reference, to the Letter of Chairperson of the Executive Council of the OPCW, H.E. Ambassador Andrés Teran Parral, dated 10 March 2025 (Ref: N° L/PMO-558/25) has the honour to inform that the Government of the Republic of Tunisia presents H.E. Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Tunisia to the United Nations Office in Geneva and other International Organizations in Switzerland, and to Conference of Disarmament, **Sabri Bachtobji**, as candidate for the position of Director-General of the Technical Secretariat of the OPCW.

The Curriculum vitae of Ambassador Sabri Bachtobji is enclosed herewith.

The Permanent Mission kindly requests that this communication and its annexe be circulated amongst the States Parties to the Chemical Weapons Convention.

The Permanent Representation of Tunisia to the OPCW avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Technical Secretariat of the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons the assurances of its highest consideration.



The Hague, 15 May 2025

The Technical Secretariat Of the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) -The Hague-

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Curriculum Vitae of Mr. Sabri Bachtobji



Born on October 3, 1963, in Menzel Temime, Tunisia. Married and father of two children.

Education

-1987: Master's degree in translation: Arabic, French, Spanish (Bourguiba Institute of Translation).

-1992: 1st year of the DEA in Political Science and International Relations (Faculty of Law and Political Science of Tunis)

-June 1993: Diploma of International Studies - Diplomatic School of Madrid.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 1989: Joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
- August 1993 -July 1999: Secretary of Foreign Affairs, then, in 1995, Counsellor of Foreign Affairs at the Tunisian Embassy in Madrid.
- **1999-2003**: Head of Division at the General Direction for Europe at the M.F.A in charge of Tunisian Italian relations.
- 2003-2009: Counsellor at the Embassy of Tunisia in Rome
- January 2010: Promoted to the rank of Minister Plenipotentiary.
- March 2010-June 2011: Consul General of Tunisia in Lyon.
- July 2011 March 2013: Deputy Director at the General Direction for Europe, in charge of relations with Turkey, the Western Balkan countries and Switzerland.
- April 2013: Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Tunisia in Brazil.
- August 2016: Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs.
- September 2016: Promoted to the rank of Minister Plenipotentiary Senior Class
- October 2019: Acting Minister of Foreign Affairs
- Since March 2020: Ambassador Permanent Representative of Tunisia to the United Nations Office in Geneva and other International Organizations in Switzerland, and to Conference of Disarmament.
- 2023: G21 coordinator at the Conference of Disarmament.
- 2025 :OIF coordinator at the Conference of Disarmament

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