

### **Executive Council**

Sixty-Seventh Meeting 1 July 2025

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#### NOTE BY THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL

## REQUEST BY THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN TO CONVENE A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

- 1. The Technical Secretariat (the Secretariat) has received a request from the Permanent Representation of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the OPCW to convene a meeting of the Executive Council (the Council) pursuant to paragraph 28 of Article VIII of the Chemical Weapons Convention and Rule 12 of the Rules of Procedure of the Council.
- 2. Following consultations held by the Director-General with the Chairperson of the Council, the meeting of the Council will be held at 9:30 on Tuesday, 1 July 2025, in the Ieper Room of the OPCW Main Building (Johan de Wittlaan 32, The Hague).
- 3. A copy of the note verbale from the Permanent Representation of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the Secretariat is annexed hereto.

Annex (English only):

Note Verbale No. 2535760 from the Permanent Representation of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the OPCW, Addressed to the Technical Secretariat, Dated 22 June 2025

#### Annex

# NOTE VERBALE NO. 2535760 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATION OF THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN TO THE OPCW, ADDRESSED TO THE TECHNICAL SECRETARIAT, DATED 22 JUNE 2025



# Embassy of the Islamic Republic of Iran The Hague

In the Name of Allah

No: 2535760

The Permanent Representation of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) presents its compliments to the Technical Secretariat of the OPCW and has the honour to formally bring to the attention of the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) a grave violation of international chemical safety and security order and norms committed by the Israeli regime. During 15 and 16 June 2025, Israeli aggressive forces conducted an attack on the Shahid Meysami Group, a chemical facility located in the immediate vicinity of a declared site under OPCW verification. The impact of the attack on the said declared site, and possible dispersal of chemicals as a result of such an attack could have precipitated a humanitarian and environmental catastrophe.

The attacks constitute a flagrant violation of the Charter of the United Nations, the most fundamental norms of international law and international humanitarian law, and has severely undermined the principles enshrined in the Chemical Weapons Convention (CWC) and related international instruments.

Technical Secretariat of the Organisation for Prohibition of Chemical Weapons The Hague

cc:

Ambassador Thomas Schieb Chairperson of the Executive Council Given the OPCW's mandate to uphold chemical safety and security—particularly in preventing both accidental and deliberate releases of toxic chemicals and in order to take immediate action to address this violation and prevent further endangerment of civilian lives and the environment, we kindly request the OPCW to condemn these attacks in the strongest terms, and convene a Special Meeting of the Executive Council pursuant to Article 8 (28) of the CWC, and Rule 12 of the Rules of Procedure of the OPCW Executive Council.

The Islamic Republic of Iran trusts that the OPCW will act swiftly and decisively to uphold its foundational principles and ensure accountability for this breach of binding international rules and norms.

The Permanent Representative would be grateful if the Technical Secretariat could circulate a copy of this note verbale to all States Parties and post it on the Catalyst and any other relevant platform of the Organisation.

The Permanent Representation of the Islamic Republic of Iran avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Technical Secretariat of the OPCW the assurances of its highest consideration.

The Hague, 22 June 2025