

BRAZIL — National Statement by H.E. Ambassador Fernando Simas Magalhães Permanent Representative of the Federative Republic of Brazil to the OPCW at the 67<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Executive Council, under Agenda Item No. 3

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1. Let me start by referencing Press Note #276, issued by the Brazilian Foreign Ministry on June 22<sup>nd</sup>, which addresses the matter at hand today.

2. Brazil takes note of the issues raised in this meeting of the Executive Council, related to a declared site in Iran.

3. We have followed with grave concern the military escalation in the Middle East, and have strongly condemned military attacks started on June 13, acts which constitute a violation of international law and of the Charter of the United Nations.

4. The rising tension can only endanger peace and stability in the region and across the world, and may have irreversible consequences for the non-proliferation and disarmament regime.

5. We express concern over the severe impact that these attacks can have for human life and the environment, as they may affect chemical safety and security.

6. Civilian lives and civilian infrastructure must be protected, in full compliance with international humanitarian law. We also reaffirm the absolute imperative of full compliance with the CWC and non-proliferation regimes at large.

7. We reiterate our commitment to dialogue and diplomacy as the only sustainable path to the stability in the region.

8. Brazil also underlines that all efforts must be made to complete universalization of the Chemical Weapons Convention, which will greatly contribute to international efforts towards peace and security.