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NOTE BY THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

WITHDRAWAL BY THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATION OF THE REPUBLIC OF TUNISIA OF A CANDIDATE FOR THE APPOINTMENT TO THE POSITION OF DIRECTOR-GENERAL

- 1. A Note by the Technical Secretariat (EC-109/S/10, dated 15 May 2025) was circulated to the members of the Executive Council (the Council), informing them of the nomination by the Permanent Representation of the Republic of Tunisia to the OPCW of H.E. Ambassador Sabri Bachtobji as candidate for the position of Director-General of the Technical Secretariat of the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW).
- 2. Further to that communication, the Permanent Representation of the Republic of Tunisia to the OPCW informed the Chairperson, by Note Verbale No. 142/2025 dated 19 September 2025, that the candidacy of H.E. Ambassador Sabri Bachtobji for the position of Director-General has been withdrawn.
- 3. At the request of the Permanent Representation of the Republic of Tunisia to the OPCW, the above-mentioned note verbale is herewith circulated to the members of the Council.

Annex (English only):

Note Verbale No. 142/2025 from the Permanent Representation of the Republic of Tunisia to the OPCW Dated 19 September 2025

Annex

NOTE VERBALE NO. 142/2025 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATION OF THE REPUBLIC OF TUNISIA TO THE OPCW DATED 19 SEPTEMBER 2025

The Republic of Tunisia

Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Migration and Tunisians abroad

Permanent Representation of Tunisia in The Hague



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The Permanent Representation of the Republic of Tunisia to the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) presents its compliments to the Chairperson of the Executive Council H.E Ambassador Thomas Schieb of Germany, and with reference to its Note Verbale n° 67/2025, dated 15 May 2025, has the honour to inform that the Government of the Republic of Tunisia has decided to withdraw the candidacy of H.E. Ambassador Sabri Bachtobji for the position of Director-General of the Technical Secretariat of the OPCW .

The Permanent Representation of Tunisia kindly requests that this Note Verbale be circulated to the members of the Council as an official series document.

The Permanent Representation of the Republic of Tunisia to the OPCW avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Chairperson of the Executive Council the assurances of its highest consideration.



The Hague, 19 September 2025

H.E. Ambassador Thomas Schieb

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CC: Technical Secretariat of the OPCW