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My delegation would like to thank the Co-Facilitators, Jorge Francisco de la Lama Rebollo of Mexico and Jerzy Gierasimiuk of Poland, and the TS for their hard work in preparing the draft Program and Budget for 2026-2027. We believe that the adoption of the Program and Budget is vital to ensuring that the OPCW remains fully equipped to deliver on its core mandate.

In particular, we are pleased that for the first time the Syria Special Fund has been included in the proposed budget. We view this additional funding mechanism as a clear demonstration of our collective commitment to addressing the situation in Syria and to ensuring the full implementation of the Convention. We hope that this draft Program and Budget can be adopted by consensus at this Conference.

Thank you. /END/