DECISION

REQUEST BY INDIA FOR AN EXTENSION OF THE DEADLINE FOR DESTROYING ALL OF ITS CATEGORY 1 CHEMICAL WEAPONS

The Conference of the States Parties,

Having considered the recommendations that the Executive Council (hereinafter “the Council”) made in the decision it adopted at its Forty-Fifth Session on a request by India for an extension of the deadline for destroying all of its Category 1 chemical weapons (EC-45/DEC.5, dated 17 May 2006);

Hereby:

1. Grants an extension of the deadline by which India must destroy all of its Category 1 chemical weapons stockpiles, subject to the following conditions:

   (a) that India shall complete the destruction of its Category 1 chemical weapons no later than 28 April 2009;

   (b) that, in addition, it shall report to the Council on its destruction activities not later than at the end of each 90 days of the extension period; and

   (c) that, until all of its Category 1 chemical weapons have been destroyed, it shall continue to submit to the Technical Secretariat:

      (i) detailed annual plans for destruction in accordance with paragraph 29 of Part IV(A) of the Verification Annex; and

      (ii) annual reports on the destruction of its Category 1 chemical weapons in accordance with paragraph 36 of that Part;

2. Requests that the Director-General report periodically to the Council on the progress made by India in completing the destruction of its chemical weapons;

3. Also requests that the Chairperson of the Council, in the exercise of his or her competencies and in cooperation with the Director-General, report periodically to the Council on these matters; and
4. **Further requests** that the Council review the progress made by India in destroying all of its Category 1 chemical weapons, take the necessary measures to document this progress, and provide to States Parties, on request, all information concerning the destruction activities of this State Party during the extension period.