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STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION AT THE TWENTY-FIRST SESSION OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE STATES PARTIES (ON THE MATTER OF SUDAN)

Mr Chairperson,

The Russian Federation has consistently spoken against distorting the provisions of the Chemical Weapons Convention. These negative trends are already clearly being observed with regard to Syria, unfortunately, and now there are attempts to push politically motivated accusations against Sudan.

Once again, we note our shared obligation to strictly and consistently comply with the provisions of the Convention. Any doubts or uncertainties concerning compliance with the Convention should be regulated in line with the clearly defined mechanism that has been put into place by Article IX of the Convention.

Thank you, Mr Chairperson.

I request that this statement be circulated as an official document of the Twenty-First Session of the Conference of the States Parties.

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