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DECISION

APPOINTMENT OF THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL

The Conference of the States Parties,

Recalling that, in accordance with subparagraph 21(d) and paragraph 43 of Article VIII of the Chemical Weapons Convention, the Director-General of the Technical Secretariat of the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons shall be appointed by the Conference of the States Parties (hereinafter "the Conference") upon the recommendation of the Executive Council (hereinafter "the Council"), for a term of four years; and

Noting the recommendation of the Council at its Eighty-Sixth Session to the Conference at the present session on the appointment of the Director-General (EC-86/DEC.12, dated 13 October 2017);

Hereby:

Appoints Mr Fernando Arias as the Director-General of the Technical Secretariat of the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons, for a term of office beginning on 25 July 2018 and ending on 24 July 2022; and

Authorises the Chairperson of the Conference to conclude a contract with the new Director-General on the terms and conditions set out in a decision of the Conference at its First Special Session (C-SS-1/DEC.4, dated 25 July 2002), to be subject to adjustments by the Council in conformity with the provisions of the last operative paragraph of that decision.

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