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**DECISION**

**REQUEST BY A STATE PARTY FOR AN EXTENSION OF THE INTERMEDIATE  
PHASE 3 DEADLINE FOR THE DESTRUCTION OF ITS CATEGORY 1  
CHEMICAL WEAPONS STOCKPILES**

**The Conference of the States Parties,**

**Considering** the recommendation of the Executive Council (hereinafter “the Council”) at its Twenty-Third Meeting (EC-M-23/DEC.1, dated 21 October 2003) that the Conference of the States Parties at its Eighth Session grant an extension of a State Party’s obligation to meet the intermediate phase 3 deadline for the destruction of 45 percent of its Category 1 chemical weapons stockpiles, on the basis of certain understandings,

**Hereby:**

**Decides to** grant an extension of this State Party’s obligation to meet the intermediate phase 3 deadline for the destruction of 45 percent of its Category 1 chemical weapons stockpiles, on the understanding that:

- (a) the State Party will complete the destruction of 45 percent of its Category 1 chemical weapons stockpiles before the end of the time-frame provided for by the Convention for the completion of phase 4 of the destruction of its Category 1 chemical weapons stockpiles;
- (b) the Council, at each alternate regular session, will be kept informed by the State Party on the status of its plans, with supporting documentation, towards implementing this destruction obligation;
- (c) the Director-General will report periodically to the Council on the progress made by the State Party in the destruction of its chemical weapons in accordance with its obligations under the Convention; and
- (d) the Chairman of the Council, in the exercise of his competencies and in cooperation with the Director-General, will report periodically to the Council on these matters.

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