DECISION

THE WORKING CAPITAL FUND AND LATE RECEIPT OF ARTICLE IV AND V INCOME

The Conference of the States Parties,

Having considered the recommendation of the Executive Council regarding the Working Capital Fund and the late receipt of Article IV and V income (EC-37/DEC.11, dated 1 July 2004);

Hereby:

1. **amends** OPCW Financial Regulation 6.4 as follows: “A Working Capital Fund shall be established in an amount and for the purposes to be determined from time to time by the Conference of the States Parties. It should not exceed two-twelfths of the budget provision for that financial period, subject to the provisions of Regulation 6.5. The Working Capital Fund shall be funded by advances from States Parties made in accordance with the scale of assessments as determined by the Conference of the States Parties for the apportionment of the OPCW’s approved budget. Advances shall be carried to the credit of the States Parties which make them.”;

2. **increases** the Working Capital Fund to the amount of EUR 9.9 million, in accordance with Financial Regulation 6.4 and based on the scale of assessments for 2005, during the financial years 2005 and 2006;

3. **allocates**, in accordance with Financial Regulation 6.3(b) and (c), the remainder of the cash surplus for 2001 in an amount of EUR 2,050,968; and

4. **amends** Financial Regulation 6.6 as follows: “All transfers of funds made from the Working Capital Fund to finance budgetary appropriations shall be reimbursed as soon as feasible, but in any case within the financial period which follows the period in which they are made.”