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**OPENING STATEMENT BY THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL
TO THE CONFERENCE OF THE STATES PARTIES
AT ITS NINTH SESSION**

Corrigendum

Page 2, paragraph 9, second sentence

For the existing text **substitute**

“One of these will be destroyed, while the other two will be converted if, as is expected, the Conference approves the Council’s recommendation, and subject to the approval of a change to Part V of the Verification Annex to the Convention regarding the conditions for conversion.”

Page 3, paragraph 15

For the existing text **substitute**

“The Russian Federation has demonstrated a similar commitment, in the presence of an even greater challenge to meet its destruction deadlines. A comprehensive plan for the construction of new facilities has been set out, and I remain convinced that the political determination of the Russian government will ensure that it is carried out successfully. Indeed, the recent allocation by the Duma of significantly greater financial resources to its destruction programme indicates that the Russian Federation is conscious of the fast-approaching deadlines and of the absolute necessity of fully implementing the Convention. I believe the international community should continue to support the commendable efforts the Russian Federation is making in this regard.”

Page 4, paragraph 21, line 11

For “Riva-Vaciamadrid” **read** “Rivas-Vaciamadrid”

Page 6, paragraph 33, line 12

Delete “Member States”

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