NOTE BY THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL

PROVISIONAL AGENDA OF THE FOURTH SPECIAL SESSION OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE STATES PARTIES

1. In accordance with Article VIII (B) of the Chemical Weapons Convention and Rule 6 of the Rules of Procedure of the Conference of the States Parties (hereinafter “the Conference”), the Permanent Representatives of Australia, Bulgaria, Canada, France, Germany, Japan, New Zealand, Poland, Romania, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and the United States of America, on 29 May 2018, requested the convening of a special session of the Conference. Pursuant to Rule 17 of the same Rules of Procedure, the Executive Council at its Sixtieth Meeting (EC-M-60/2, dated 4 June 2018) drew up the provisional agenda of the above-mentioned special session of the Conference, which is annexed to this Note.

2. Also in accordance with Rule 6 of the Rules of Procedure of the Conference, any such special session shall be convened by the Director-General not later than 30 days after the receipt by him or her of any such request if one third of the Members of the Organisation have concurred with the request. Member States were notified of the request by Note Verbale NV/ODG/PMO/215206/18, dated 29 May 2018. As of today the Secretariat has received more than one third of concurrences from the States Parties.

3. In accordance with Rule 19 of the Rules of Procedure of the Conference, the provisional agenda for each special session, together with the report thereon of the General Committee, shall be submitted to the Conference for approval as soon as possible after the opening of the session by a simple majority of the Members present and voting.

4. In accordance with Rule 7 of the Rules of Procedure of the Conference, the Director-General hereby notifies all Members of the Organisation that the Fourth Special Session of the Conference will open on 26 June 2018 at 9:30 at the World Forum, and that it is expected to close on 28 June 2018.
Annex

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OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE STATES PARTIES

1. Opening of the session
2. Adoption of the agenda
3. Upholding the global ban against chemical weapons use
4. Adoption of the report
5. Closure

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