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**by**

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Japan would like to join in congratulating that this Executive Council has fulfilled successfully its mission to recommend a candidate by consensus as the next Director-General of the OPCW. We also wish to convey our sincere appreciation to Mr. Chairperson and to the Technical Secretariat for the exceptional leadership, dedication, and steady guidance throughout the process leading to the Council's decision. Your impartial and transparent handling of the voting procedure ensured a smooth and fair outcome, reflecting the spirit of cooperation among all Member States.

Japan also wishes to pay its highest respect to all eleven distinguished candidates for their dedicated engagement throughout this process.

Mr. Chairperson,

We believe that Ms. Sabrina Dallafior Matter's strong diplomatic background, leadership, and dedication will enable the OPCW to continue carrying out its vital mission. Under the leadership of the new Director-General, Japan will continue to work closely with all Member States to uphold and advance the mandate of the Convention towards the complete elimination of chemical weapons.

Thank you, Mr. Chairperson.