

## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA STATEMENT ON AGENDA ITEM 6 (f) ADDRESSING THE THREAT FROM CHEMICAL WEAPONS USE (SUDAN) TO THE 110TH SESSION OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

Mr. Chair, colleagues,

In May, the United States announced its determination that chemical weapons were used in Sudan in 2024, in violation of the Convention. This conclusion was reached after careful study, and we imposed sanctions as an initial step to hold the Sudanese government accountable.

We remain deeply concerned about this situation and the potential for further use of chemical weapons. As a State Party to the CWC, Sudan has an obligation to comply with the Convention, including the prohibition on developing, producing, acquiring, stockpiling, or using chemical weapons under any circumstances.

The United States has engaged with the Sudanese government on this issue, and it is now incumbent upon Sudan to take meaningful steps to acknowledge and address any violations and to work with the OPCW to resolve them. We remain committed to supporting Sudan in this process and working constructively to achieve progress. At the same time, the United States remains resolute in its determination that violations of the Convention must be addressed.

The ongoing conflict in Sudan has created one of the worst humanitarian crises in the world. We urge all parties to end the fighting, allow humanitarian aid to flow freely, and pursue a political resolution.

Thank you, Mr. Chair.