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## **RUSSIAN FEDERATION**

## STATEMENT BY THE RUSSIAN DELEGATION IN CONNECTION WITH THE STATEMENT BY THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL REGARDING THE SUPPLEMENTARY ARRANGEMENT CONCERNING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ARTICLE II (2)(C) OF THE RELATIONSHIP AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNITED NATIONS AND THE ORGANISATION FOR THE PROHIBITION OF CHEMICAL WEAPONS

Madam Chairperson,

The Russian delegation thanks Ambassador Peter Goosen of South Africa for the considerable amount of work he has done.

We are also grateful to the Director-General for the useful clarifications that he made. We request that the text of the statement by the Director-General be distributed as an official document of this session of the Executive Council.

We believe that the text of the report on this matter and the statement by the Director-General uphold the provisions of the Convention which relate to the functions of the Executive Council, including on supervising the activities of the Technical Secretariat. We proceed from the fact that, in the situation under discussion, the Executive Council would not find itself in a fait accompli situation; on the contrary, it would be in full control of it.

We request that this statement be distributed as an official document of this session of the Executive Council.

Thank you for your attention.

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