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DECISION

**RECOMMENDATION TO THE CONFERENCE OF THE STATES PARTIES
AT ITS EIGHTEENTH SESSION
ON THE RENEWAL OF THE APPOINTMENT OF THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL**

The Executive Council,

Recalling that, according to Article VIII, paragraph 43, of the Chemical Weapons Convention, the Director-General of the Technical Secretariat of the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) shall be appointed by the Conference of the States Parties (hereinafter “the Conference”) upon the recommendation of the Executive Council (hereinafter “the Council”) for a term of four years, renewable for one further term, but not thereafter;

Noting the report of the Council at its Seventy-Third Session, which stated that “In order to facilitate preparations of the recommendation to be made to the Conference at its Eighteenth Session by the Council, the Chairman invited interested States Parties to present candidates for the post of Director-General in time for its consideration at the Seventy-Fourth Session of the Council”;

Noting also that the Chairman informed the Council at its Seventy-Third Session of the current Director-General’s availability to serve a second term; and

Recalling also that the Conference at its Fourteenth Session appointed Mr Ahmet Üzümcü as the Director-General for a term of office beginning on 25 July 2010, and ending on 24 July 2014 (C-14/DEC.6, dated 2 December 2009);

Hereby:

Recommends that the Conference at its Eighteenth Session renew the appointment of the Director-General, Mr Ahmet Üzümcü, for one further term of four years.

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