

Executive Council

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NOTE BY THE TECHNICAL SECRETARIAT

AMENDMENTS TO THE FACILITY AGREEMENT WITH THE SLOVAK REPUBLIC REGARDING ON-SITE INSPECTIONS AT A SCHEDULE 1 PROTECTIVE PURPOSES FACILITY

- 1. At its Thirty-Sixth Session, the Executive Council (hereinafter "the Council") approved the negotiated text of the facility agreement between the OPCW and the Slovak Republic regarding inspections at a Schedule 1 protective purposes facility (EC-36/DEC.15, dated 23 April 2004).
- 2. In a letter dated 27 November 2013, the Slovak Republic proposed amendments to the facility agreement. The Technical Secretariat considers the changes in the description or definition of the facility to be fundamental, and that they constitute an amendment to the facility agreement that must go through the procedure described under paragraph 1 of Section 13 of the agreement, that is, approval by the Council and signature by the two parties.
- 3. According to paragraph 1 of Section 13 of the facility agreement, amendments to the sections of this agreement may be proposed by either Party and shall be agreed to and enter into force under the same conditions as provided for under paragraph 1 of Section 15.
- 4. The above-mentioned amendments to the facility agreement are reflected (in red-lining, for ease of reference) in the revised version of the facility agreement (EC-76/P/DEC/CRP.1, dated 16 June 2014).

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