

Executive Council

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NOTE BY THE TECHNICAL SECRETARIAT

AMENDMENTS, MODIFICATIONS, AND UPDATES TO THE FACILITY AGREEMENT WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF FINLAND REGARDING ON-SITE INSPECTIONS AT A SINGLE SMALL-SCALE FACILITY

- 1. At its Eleventh Session, the Executive Council (hereinafter "the Council") approved the negotiated text of the facility agreement between the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) and the Government of Finland regarding inspections at a single small-scale facility located in Finland (EC-XI/DEC.3, dated 4 September 1998).
- 2. In order to reflect changes in the configuration of the facility, including its name and its relocation within the site, amendments, modifications, and updates to the facility agreement are required.
- 3. Following the procedure set out in paragraph 1 of Section 13 of the facility agreement, the Government of Finland and the Technical Secretariat have agreed on these amendments. A draft decision on this matter will be submitted to the Council for consideration and approval at its Seventy-Eighth Session.
- 4. Pursuant to paragraph 2 of Section 13 of the facility agreement, modifications to the attachments of the facility agreement, other than Attachment 1 and Part B of Attachment 5, may be agreed upon at any time between a representative of the OPCW and a representative of Finland, provided that both are specifically authorised to do so. The Director-General hereby informs the Council of modifications agreed by the parties to the facility agreement.
- 5. According to paragraph 3 of Section 13 of the facility agreement, any updates to Part B of Attachment 5 shall be made by the inspected State Party for the effective conduct of inspections.
- 6. The above-mentioned amendments, modifications, and updates to the facility agreement are reflected (in red-lining, for ease of reference) in the revised version of the facility agreement (EC-78/DEC/CRP.5, dated 18 February 2015).

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