

Executive Council

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DECISION

AMENDMENTS TO THE FACILITY AGREEMENT WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF SPAIN REGARDING ON-SITE INSPECTIONS AT A SCHEDULE 1 FACILITY FOR PROTECTIVE PURPOSES

The Executive Council,

Recalling that paragraph 3 of Part III of the Verification Annex to the Chemical Weapons Convention requires each State Party to conclude a facility agreement with the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) for each facility declared and subject to on-site inspection pursuant, inter alia, to paragraph 3 of Article VI of the Chemical Weapons Convention (hereinafter "the Convention");

Noting that subparagraph 34(c) of Article VIII of the Convention states that the Executive Council (hereinafter "the Council") shall approve "agreements or arrangements relating to the implementation of verification activities, negotiated by the Technical Secretariat with States Parties";

Recalling also that at its Sixty-Eighth Session, the Council approved the negotiated text of an amended facility agreement between the OPCW and the Government of Spain regarding inspections at a Schedule 1 facility for protective purposes located in Spain (EC-68/DEC.1, dated 2 May 2012);

Recalling further the Note by the Technical Secretariat (hereinafter "the Secretariat") on amendments, modifications, and updates to the attachments to this facility agreement (EC-86/S/3, dated 6 September 2017);

Noting also that the Secretariat and the Government of Spain have agreed on amendments to the facility agreement regarding on-site inspections at a Schedule 1 facility for protective purposes located in Spain, the text of which is set out in EC-86/R/DEC.1, dated 11 October 2017; and

Noting further that, according to Section 13 of the facility agreement, amendments to it must be approved by the Council;

Hereby:

Approves the amendments to the facility agreement between the OPCW and Spain set out in EC-86/R/DEC.1.

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