Mr. Chairperson, Mr. Director-General, distinguished colleagues,

Slovenia condemns the nerve agent attack in Salisbury and expresses its full solidarity with the United Kingdom. Let me reiterate that our national position is fully reflected in the EU statement.

As a State Party to the Chemical Weapons Convention and a member of the OPCW we strongly condemn the use of chemical weapons, including the use of any toxic chemicals as weapons, by anyone, anywhere, and under any circumstances.

It is in the interest of all responsible members of the international community that the events in the UK be thoroughly investigated. In this regard, I would like to underline our support and appreciation for the activities and engagement of the OPCW Technical Secretariat.

Thank you, Mr. Chairperson.