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**PROVISIONAL OPCW CALENDAR
FOR THE YEAR 2000**

1. For the benefit of Member States, as well as signatory States, the Technical Secretariat has prepared a provisional calendar of events that will be organised or sponsored by the OPCW during the year 2000. This provisional calendar is annexed hereto, and will also be posted on the OPCW website (URL: <http://www.opcw.org>). The calendar lists the sessions or meetings of the OPCW's principal organs and subsidiary bodies, events organised by the OPCW, and events co-organised by the OPCW and Member States, unless these are strictly bilateral meetings. The calendar does not include informal consultations or consultations by facilitators working in the framework of the Executive Council's working groups; the dates of these meetings will be reported in the OPCW Journal. On an exceptional basis, events of particular significance to the OPCW are also included, even though the OPCW is not formally involved in their organisation.
2. Member States and signatory States are reminded that the information included in the calendar is provisional. Several additional events are currently being planned but are not included at this stage, since additional work remains to be done before they can be incorporated into the calendar. Also, for some of the events listed, there are no firm dates and/or venues. Member States who are interested in hosting such an OPCW event are welcome to approach the Secretariat. The dates and venues shown in the calendar are correct to the best knowledge of the Secretariat. The calendar will be updated on a bimonthly basis, or more frequently if the need arises.
3. Any inquiries or suggestions concerning the calendar should be directed to the Secretariat for the Policy-Making Organs. Inquiries relating to regional seminars should be directed to the External Relations Division, and those relating to National Authority training courses, implementation workshops and activities in the area of assistance and protection to the International Cooperation and Assistance Division.

Annex: Provisional OPCW calendar for the year 2000

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JANUARY

13 - 14 Jan	Scientific Advisory Board (SAB) temporary working group on analytical procedures, The Hague
17 - 18 Jan	Sixth meeting of the validation group for updating the Central OPCW Analytical Database
17 - 25 Jan	OPCW National Authority training course (advanced), Ypenburg
24 - 29 Jan	Advisory Body on Administrative and Financial Matters (ABAF), Seventh Session

FEBRUARY

7 Feb	Consultations on the status of preparations for EC-XVIII
11 Feb	Joint OPCW-UK seminar on challenge inspections, The Hague
14 Feb	Informal meeting of the Executive Council on CW destruction and CWDF destruction/conversion
15 - 18 Feb	Executive Council, Eighteenth Session

MARCH

	Seminar on the destruction of adamsite, Poland
	OPCW regional seminar, United Arab Emirates
	Meeting with qualified experts for investigations of alleged use (IAU), The Hague
15 - 16 Mar	Scientific Advisory Board (SAB), Third Session, The Hague
20 - 24 Mar	Reserved for ABAF (to be confirmed)
27 Mar	Consultations on the status of preparations for EC-XIX
28 - 30 Mar	OPCW regional meeting of GRULAC National Authorities, Peru

APRIL

	Regional seminar for South Pacific island states, Fiji
2 - 7 Apr	CITPRO-III, Switzerland
3 Apr	Informal meeting of the Executive Council on CW destruction and CWDF destruction/conversion
3 - 5 Apr	Reserved for ABAF (to be confirmed)
4 - 7 Apr	Executive Council, Nineteenth Session
10 - 12 Apr	Confidentiality Commission, Fourth meeting
10-18 Apr	OPCW National Authority training course (basic level), Indonesia.
14 - 16 Apr	Regional implementation workshop, Dubrovnik, Croatia

MAY

	OPCW regional seminar, Ghana
2 - 4 May	Singapore Regional Forum 2000, Singapore
6 - 11 May	Second OPCW training course on medical defence, Tehran, Iran
14 - 19 May	OPCW emergency field laboratory training course II, Spiez, Switzerland
12 May	Seminar for National Authorities on the role of customs organisations in the implementation of the CWC, The Hague and Rotterdam
13 - 14 May	Second Annual Meeting of National Authorities and representatives of the chemical industry, The Hague
15 - 19 May	Conference of the States Parties, Fifth Session, The Hague
22 - 24 May	CWD 2000 International Chemical Demilitarisation Conference, The Hague
22 - 31 May	Investigations of alleged use (IAU), reconnaissance training for OPCW, Czech Republic

JUNE

	National Authority training course (advanced level), Ypenburg
	OPCW regional seminar on the role of industry in the implementation process, Mexico
	OPCW technical seminar, Argentina
	Meeting with qualified experts for IAU, The Hague
Jun	OPCW training for IAU and delivery of assistance, Poland
6 - 9 June	Regional workshop on the implementation of Articles X and XI, Havana, Cuba
26 - 30 Jun	Assistance coordination meeting, venue to be confirmed
27 - 28 Jun	Executive Council, Twentieth Session, The Hague

JULY

	OPCW protection network meeting, The Hague
5 - 7 Jul	Thematic workshop on integrated approaches towards infrastructure building, organised by UNITAR, co-sponsored by the OPCW, Geneva, Switzerland
30 Jul - 3 Aug	Second International Symposium on the Destruction of CW: Technology and Practical Aspects, Münster, Germany

AUGUST

	OPCW National Authority training course (basic level), Ukraine
	OPCW regional implementation workshop, Ulan Bator, Mongolia
6 - 11 Aug	OPCW emergency field laboratory training course for assistance III, Spiez, Switzerland
7 - 26 Aug	OPCW/Swedish chemical support team exercise, Sweden

SEPTEMBER

Sep or Oct OPCW declaration assistance network, workshop, The Hague
Sep or Oct OPCW regional meeting with chemical societies and industry, Islamabad, Pakistan
Sep or Oct OPCW National Authority training course, Ypenburg
Sep or Oct OPCW Symposium on Medical Treatment of CW Casualties, Iran
Sep or Oct OPCW National Authority training course (basic level), venue to be decided

OCTOBER

3 - 6 Oct OPCW sub-regional seminar for Central Africa, Cameroon
Meeting with qualified experts for IAU, The Hague
OPCW protection course, venue to be determined
Executive Council, Twenty-first Session, The Hague

NOVEMBER

15 - 17 Nov OPCW Scientific Advisory Board, The Hague
National Authority training course, venue to be determined
International Symposium on Legal Cooperation and Assistance for Effective Implementation of International Agreements, co-organised by OPCW and other Hague-based institutions, The Hague

DECEMBER

5 - 8 Dec OPCW National Authority training course (advanced level), Ypenburg (tentative)
Dec or 2001 OPCW technical seminar on destruction technologies, India
Executive Council, Twenty-second Session, The Hague
Regional meeting of chemical societies from States Parties and signatory States in the South Pacific, Australia