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NOTE BY THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL

**CW CHIEF INSTRUCTOR TRAINING PROGRAMME (CITPRO IV)
SPIEZ, SWITZERLAND, 22 - 27 APRIL 2001**

1. On behalf of the Government of Switzerland and the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW), the Director-General invites Member States to nominate participants for a training course on CW protection which will be held at the NBC Training Centre in Spiez, Switzerland, from 22 to 27 April 2001.
2. The course, which is the fourth of its kind, is related to the offer made by Switzerland, under Article X of the Chemical Weapons Convention, to provide assistance and protection against chemical weapons, and will be jointly organised by the Government of Switzerland and the OPCW Secretariat (hereinafter the "Secretariat"). The course will provide training in civil CW protection, detection and decontamination for up to 40 chief instructors from Member States.
3. The course will provide basic training for specialists and experts who are, or will be, associated with CW protection training of civilians in their home countries. Its main purpose is to assist other Member States in their efforts to establish a basic CW protection capability that will directly benefit the civilian population. The course draws on the extensive experience of Switzerland in the field of civilian CW protection. Due to the objective of the course and its technical nature, the candidates will be carefully selected. Applicants from Member States which do not yet have civilian CW protection capabilities will be particularly welcome. Participants should have a basic technical background, as well as good English language skills. They should also be physically fit and able to wear individual protective gear for several hours during some practical sessions of the course. Some practical experience with military or civil CW protection would be desirable.
4. It is anticipated that participants will arrive on Saturday 21 April 2001, and will depart on Saturday 28 April 2001. Participants are requested to obtain any necessary visas before travelling to Switzerland. The Secretariat expects to be able to sponsor a limited number of candidates nominated by Member States, to cover their travel costs. When proposing candidates for the course, Member States should specify whether such sponsorship is a precondition for their participation. The course materials, as well as accommodation and all meals during the course, will be provided by the Swiss

Government free of charge. Further details regarding accommodation, the course venue and transportation will be issued to participants at a later date.

5. Interested Member States are invited to complete the nomination form contained in annex 1 to this Note, giving the full name and address (including fax and telephone numbers, and e-mail address, if available) of each nominee, together with his or her affiliation, and area(s) of expertise. The completed nomination form, together with a brief curriculum vitae of each nominee, should be submitted to the Assistance and Protection Branch, International Cooperation and Assistance Division, OPCW (fax: +41-(0)31-323 7399), with a copy being mailed to Mr Bernard Jeanty, Head of Global Arms Control and Disarmament Section, Federal Department of Defence General Staff, CH-3303 Berne, Switzerland. Nominations should be submitted as soon as possible, but **not later than 9 February 2001**, to allow sufficient time for the Secretariat and the Swiss authorities to make the necessary arrangements. In the meantime, Member States are requested to inform the International Cooperation and Assistance Division of any administrative or other problems that may arise in relation to the attendance of any nominee.

6. A provisional schedule for the training course is contained in annex 2 to this Note. Further details of the arrangements will be issued as soon as the International Cooperation and Assistance Division receives confirmation from the participants that they will be attending the course. Any questions in this regard may be addressed to the Assistance and Protection Branch, International Cooperation and Assistance Division:

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Annexes:

Annex 1: Nomination form

Annex 2: Provisional schedule

Annex 1

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NOMINATION FORM

To be completed by Member States to propose participants.
Please use **BLOCK LETTERS**

Details of nominee

1. Family name
2. First name(s)
3. Gender (male/female)
4. Date of birth
5. Present address
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6. Telephone
7. Fax
8. E-mail
9. Nationality
10. Passport no.
11. Date of issue
12. Date of expiry
13. Place of issue
14. Affiliation
15. Area(s) of expertise
16. Nominated by:
17. Signed: Date:

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TENTATIVE PROGRAM SCHEDULE (edition: 2.12.2000)

aturday 21 April 2001. Departure: Saturday 28 April 2001. Training location: **CA**, course auditorium; **WG**: Working group.

Monday, 23.4.2001	Tuesday, 24.4.2001	Wednesday, 25.4.2001	Thursday, 26.4.2001	Friday, 27.4.2001
Keynote Address MG Josi - Photographer, Coffee break 0830 _____ CA 0845-1100 CW-Protection: Forces protective equipment	0730-1100 CW-Protection: Forces protective equipment <i>PART TWO</i>	0730-0800 Monitoring and detection: - Introduction _____ CA 0800-1100 (Practical work)	0730-0845 SWISS CAM Training WG	0730-1230 "HARD DAY" - chemical accident - rescue - decontamination
(Practical work) Coffee break "on the job" <i>PART ONE</i> WG	Coffee break	Coffee break	0845-0915 Coffee break	- Emergency Training <i>PART TWO</i> Coffee break "on the job" 1230 WG
	(Practical work) Maintenance NBC mask 90 Trouble shooting WG	Handling of equipment and procedures WG 1110 Domestic Alert System (NEOC/NAZ) CA	PRACTICAL EXERCISE "HARD DAY" - Introduction	
1110 Medication Prophylaxis and therapy procedures CA	Individual briefings and studies WG		- Emergency Training <i>PART ONE</i>	
Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
1330-1430 Dealing with increased CW-Risks CA	1300 Excursion "Bernese Oberland"	1330-1700 CW-Decontamination: Handling of equipment and procedures	Coffee break "on the job"	1400 SEF-LAB - Introduction - Means - Detection tasks
1530	1430-1500 Coffee break			
	1430-1630 Types and Effects of CW			
	1500-1700			

	Coffee break	Industrial Chemical		Coffee break		
1600	CA	Accident (case study)		(Practical work)	1600 WG	1600 WG
					1700 Excursion "City of Berne"	Return of equipment
	1630-1815 CW – Protection: Protective equipment for civil population (Practical work)					
		WG				
1730		Individual briefings and studies		Individual briefings and studies		1715 Closing Session
	WG	WG		WG		CA
1830	Dinner	Dinner		Dinner		1900 Dinner
1930				1930-2030 International Rescue Coordination of Assistance CA		