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NOTE BY THE SECRETARIAT

**POSTPONEMENT OF THE BASIC NATIONAL AUTHORITY COURSE
FOR PERSONNEL INVOLVED IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF
THE CHEMICAL WEAPONS CONVENTION**

1. Due to the financial situation of the OPCW most recently described in the statement by the Director-General on this subject (EC-XXIII/DG.8, dated 26 January 2001), the Secretariat has been constrained to postpone the previously announced basic National Authority course for personnel involved in the implementation of the Chemical Weapons Convention. Details of this course, which was scheduled to take place in The Hague, the Netherlands, from 26 February - 6 March 2001, were communicated to Member States in document S/230/2000, dated 5 December 2000.
2. The Secretariat wishes to express its appreciation to the many States Parties which have expressed an interest in the course, and regrets any inconvenience which this postponement may have caused.
3. The Secretariat hopes that, once the present financial difficulties are overcome, it will be in a position to reschedule the course. Member States will be informed accordingly.

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