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**NOTE BY THE TECHNICAL SECRETARIAT**

**CALL FOR NOMINATIONS  
FOR THE NINTH WORKSHOP ON THE  
COORDINATION OF ASSISTANCE AND PROTECTION  
UNDER ARTICLE X OF THE CHEMICAL WEAPONS CONVENTION  
KIEV, UKRAINE  
18 – 20 OCTOBER 2006**

1. On behalf of the Government of Ukraine and the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW), the Technical Secretariat (hereinafter “the Secretariat”) wishes to invite Member States to nominate participants for the ninth workshop on the coordination of assistance and protection under Article X of the Chemical Weapons Convention (hereinafter “the Convention”), which will be held in Kiev, Ukraine, from 18 to 20 October 2006.
2. The workshop will provide a forum in which States Parties can share their experiences in the practical implementation of Article X. It is also intended to draw together officials and experts from National Authorities, from government ministries, and from the chemical industry who are or will be associated with offers of assistance to States Parties. Participants will review the activities related to assistance and protection that the OPCW has engaged in over the last two years, as well as the progress that has made during this period in implementing Article X and related decisions of the Conference of the States Parties (hereinafter “the Conference”) at its Ninth and Tenth Sessions (C-9/DEC.10, dated 30 November 2004, and C-10/DEC.8, dated 10 November 2005).
3. One day of the workshop will be devoted to discussing Joint Assistance 2005, an exercise on the delivery of assistance that was jointly organised and conducted by Ukraine, the Euro-Atlantic Disaster Response Coordination Centre of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation, and the OPCW, and held in Lviv, Ukraine, from 9 to 13 October 2005. From the standpoint of the OPCW, the aim of the exercise was to test the procedures it had in place to respond to a request for assistance under Article X of the Convention, and its actual ability to mount such a response. At the workshop, representatives from a number of countries and organisations that participated in Joint Assistance 2005 will discuss the lessons they learned from it.



4. Given the purpose of the workshop and its technical nature, candidates must be involved in implementing Article X in their respective countries.
5. The workshop will be conducted in English, with interpretation into Russian. Participants are therefore expected to have a good command of one of these languages.
6. Participants will arrive on Tuesday, 17 October 2006, and will depart on Saturday, 21 October 2006. Participants are requested to obtain any necessary visas (including transit visas) before travelling to Ukraine. The Secretariat expects to be able to cover the travel costs of a limited number of participants. Accommodation and all meals will be provided at no cost to sponsored participants. Successful candidates will be contacted within two weeks of the submission deadline. Further details about accommodation, the workshop venue, and transport will be issued to participants in due course.
7. Interested National Authorities are invited to complete the nomination form that is included as Annex 2 to this Note, making sure in particular to provide all the contact details it requests, and specifying whether sponsorship is a condition of participation. The completed form should be sent, together with a brief curriculum vitae for the nominee, to the Assistance and Protection Branch, International Cooperation and Assistance Division, OPCW, Johan de Wittlaan 32, 2517 JR The Hague, the Netherlands. Nominations may also be submitted by fax to +31 (0)70 416 3209, or by e-mail to [EmergAssistBr@opcw.org](mailto:EmergAssistBr@opcw.org). They should be submitted as soon as possible, but must be received **no later than 4 September 2006**.
8. Additional information may be obtained from the Assistance and Protection Branch at the address given above. The contact person is Ms Nune Aghayan, who can be reached at +31 (0)70 416 3208.

Annexes (English only):

Annex 1: Provisional Programme

Annex 2: Nomination Form

**Annex 1**

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**PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Activity</b>
<b><i>Wednesday, 18 October 2006</i></b>	
09:00 – 09:30	Opening
09:30 – 10:15	Presentation: Implementing Article X of the Convention: bilateral agreements, contributions to the Voluntary Fund for Assistance, and protection programmes
10:15 – 10:30	<i>Coffee break</i>
10:30 – 11:15	Presentation: Implementing Article X: overview of regional and national projects run by the Assistance and Protection Branch (APB) over the past two years
11:15 – 12:00	Presentation: The Conference decision on the assistance format for the formulation, specification, or renewal of offers of assistance under subparagraph 7(c) of Article X (C-10/DEC.8)
12:00 – 13:15	<i>Lunch</i>
13:15 – 14:00	Presentation: The data bank on assistance and protection
14:00 – 14:45	Presentations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• List of qualified experts to be drawn up in accordance with Part XI, paragraph 7, of the Verification Annex to the Convention</li> <li>• Call for voluntary contributions for pending projects</li> </ul>
14:45 – 15:00	Presentation: Informal consultations on Article X in the context of the work of the policy-making organs
15:00 – 15:20	<i>Coffee break</i>
15:20 – 16:30	National presentations by countries involved in assistance-and-protection projects
16:30 – 17:00	Discussion
19:00	Dinner
<b><i>Thursday, 19 October 2006</i></b>	
08:00 – 08:45	Presentation: Joint Assistance 2005
08:45 – 09:30	Presentation: The Ukrainian perspective on Joint Assistance 2005
09:30 – 10:00	Short video presentation on Joint Assistance 2005
10:00 – 10:30	<i>Coffee break</i>
10:30 – 11:15	The Swiss perspective on its cooperation with the OPCW on the capacity-building project for Central Asia, and on lessons learned from it
11:15 – 12:00	Presentation: Lessons learned by States Parties and organisations involved in Joint Assistance 2005
12:00 – 13:30	<i>Lunch</i>
13:30 – 14:15	Presentation: Lessons learned by the OPCW from its participation in

<b>Time</b>	<b>Activity</b>
	TRIPLEX 2006 (exercise on international cooperation in the delivery of assistance)
14:15 – 15:30	Discussion
<b><i>Friday, 20 October 2006</i></b>	
08:00 – 08:45	Presentation: APB plans for 2006 and 2007
08:45 – 09:30	Presentation: The APB strategy for 2007 and beyond
09:30 – 10:15	Presentation: Information about the live-agent training course held in June 2006 for Central Asian countries
10:15 – 10:30	<i>Coffee break</i>
10:30 – 11:00	Perspectives on, and future plans for, projects sponsored by Czech Republic, Netherlands, Norway, and Slovakia
11:00 – 12:00	Discussion
12:00 – 13:30	<i>Lunch</i>
13:30 – 14:30	Discussion and closure
15:00	Departure of participants

**Annex 2**

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**NOMINATION FORM**

Please submit the completed form **by 4 September 2006** to:  
The International Cooperation and Assistance Division, OPCW  
Attn: Assistance and Protection Branch  
Johan de Wittlaan 32, 2517 JR The Hague, the Netherlands  
Fax: + 31 (0)70 416 3209; e-mail: [EmergAssistBr@opcw.org](mailto:EmergAssistBr@opcw.org).

**Please type or use BLOCK LETTERS.**

1.	Family name of nominee		
2.	First name(s)		
3.	Gender	Male <input type="checkbox"/>	Female <input type="checkbox"/>
4.	Date of birth		
5.	Contact address (Please do not give a post-office box number.)	Street	Number
		Post code	City
		Country	
6.	E-mail address		
7.	Telephone numbers, including country and city codes	Home	
		Work	
		Mobile	
8.	Fax numbers, including country and city codes	Home	
		Work	
9.	Passport number		
10.	Date of issue		
11.	Place of issue		
12.	Expiry date		
13.	Affiliation		
14.	Area(s) of expertise	.....	
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15.	Nominated by:		
16.	Is sponsorship a condition of participation?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>

17.	Brief recommendation from the National Authority	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
18.	Signature, with seal or stamp, of an authorised representative of the National Authority	<hr/> <div style="text-align: right;">Date: <hr/></div>