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NOTE BY THE TECHNICAL SECRETARIAT

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR SUPPLIERS OF AIR-PERMEABLE CHEMICAL WEAPONS PROTECTIVE SUITS

- 1. The Technical Secretariat (hereinafter "the Secretariat") wishes to inform States Parties that the notification of an Expression of Interest (EOI) for suppliers of air-permeable chemical weapons protective suits has been posted on the OPCW external internet site. The EOI was initiated on 11 June 2008; a response date of 8 July 2008 has also been sent to those suppliers (see the Annex to this Note) that were identified in response to a Note by the Secretariat (S/591/2006, dated 25 September 2006), as well as to other suppliers identified through market research. The list of suppliers to which the EOI has been sent is attached.
- 2. An EOI is used to ascertain whether suppliers are willing and able to provide air-permeable chemical weapons protective suits that conform to the operational requirements and technical specifications approved by the Conference of States Parties at its First Session (C-I/DEC.71 and Corr. 1, both dated 23 May 1997). Those suppliers responding positively to the EOI will subsequently be invited to submit bids in accordance with an Invitation to Tender.
- 3. Accordingly, the Secretariat requests States Parties to encourage their national suppliers—in particular those not identified on the attached list—to respond to the EOI.
- 4. For further details, interested States Parties should contact Mr Tom Kaptijn of the Procurement Unit of the OPCW at +31 (0)70 416 3450.

Annex:

List of Suppliers in Regard to the EOI for Air-Permeable Chemical-Weapons Protective Suits

Annex

LIST OF SUPPLIERS IN REGARD TO THE EOI FOR AIR-PERMEABLE CHEMICAL WEAPONS PROTECTIVE SUITS

Company		Location
1.	Beijing BW Tech-textile Co., Ltd.	China
2.	B.O.I.SFiltry spol. s.r.o.	Czech Republic
3.	Blücher GmbH	Germany
4.	Charcoal Cloth International	United Kingdom
5.	Dräger Safety AG & Co. KGaA	Germany
6.	ECOPROTECT, spol. s.r.o.	Czech Republic
7.	KÄRCHER Futuretech GmbH	Germany
8.	Lakeland Industries, Inc.	United States
9.	Leroux Airprotection	Netherlands
10.	Mile Dragic Production	Serbia
11.	MSA Nederland B.V.	Netherlands
12.	N.A.B. Export	Iran (Islamic
		Republic of)
13.	North Safety Products Europe B.V.	Netherlands
14.	Ordnance Parachute Factory	India
15.	OUVRY	France
16.	OWR AG	Germany
17.	Paul Boyé Technologies	France
18.	Remploy Frontline	United Kingdom
19.	Teikoku-Sen-I Co., Ltd.	Japan
20.	Texplorer GmbH	Germany
21.	Tradeways Ltd	United States
22.	Trayal Corporation	Serbia
23.	Trelleborg Protective Products AB	Sweden
24.	W. L. Gore and Associates, Inc.	United States