1. The Technical Secretariat (hereinafter “the Secretariat”) hereby announces that, on 17 May 2018, the Secretary-General of the United Nations issued a depositary notification in which he communicated that the State of Palestine had deposited its instrument of accession to the Chemical Weapons Convention (hereinafter “the Convention”) on 17 May 2018, and that, in accordance with paragraph 2 of its Article XXI, the Convention will enter into force for the State of Palestine on 16 June 2018.

2. The Secretariat hereby submits to the members of the Executive Council and distributes to all States Parties, in the annex to this Note, a copy of the depositary notification issued by the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

Annex: Depositary Notification of the Accession of the State of Palestine to the Chemical Weapons Convention
Reference: C.N.250.2018.TREATIES-XXVI.3 (Depositary Notification)

CONVENTION ON THE PROHIBITION OF THE DEVELOPMENT, PRODUCTION, STOCKPILING AND USE OF CHEMICAL WEAPONS AND ON THEIR DESTRUCTION
GENEVA, 3 SEPTEMBER
1992 STATE OF PALESTINE:

ACCESSION

The Secretary-General of the United Nations, acting in his capacity as depositary, communicates the following:

The above action was effected on 17 May 2018.

The Convention will enter into force for the State of Palestine on 16 June 2018 in accordance with its article XXI (2) which reads as follows:

“For States whose instruments of ratification or accession are deposited subsequent to the entry into force of this Convention, it shall enter into force on the 30th day following the date of deposit of their instrument of ratification or accession.”

18 May 2018