



NOTE BY THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

**WITHDRAWAL BY DENMARK OF A CANDIDATE
FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE POSITION OF DIRECTOR-GENERAL**

1. A Note by the Chairperson of the Executive Council (hereinafter “the Council”) (EC-85/3, dated 4 May 2017) was circulated to the members of the Council and all other States Parties, informing them of the nomination by the Government of Denmark of H.E. Ambassador Jesper Vahr, Ambassador of Denmark to Israel, as candidate for the position of Director-General of the Technical Secretariat of the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW).
2. Further to this communication, the Permanent Representation of Denmark to the OPCW officially informed the Chairperson, by a note verbale dated 4 October 2017, that the Government of Denmark had withdrawn the candidature of H.E. Ambassador Jesper Vahr for the position of Director-General.
3. At the request of the Permanent Representation of Denmark to the OPCW, and pursuant to Rule 48 of the Rules of Procedure of the Council, the above-mentioned note verbale is herewith circulated to the members of the Council and all other States Parties.

Annex (English only): Note Verbale of the Permanent Representation of Denmark to the OPCW



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NOTE VERBALE

The Permanent Representation of the Kingdom of Denmark to the Organization for the Prohibition on Chemical Weapons presents its compliments to the Chairperson of the Executive Council H.E. Ambassador Sheikh Mohammed Belal and, with reference to the note verbale of 3 May 2017 nominating H.E. Ambassador Jesper Vahr as candidate for the position of Director General, has the honour to inform the Chairperson that the Government of Denmark has decided to withdraw the nomination.

The Permanent Representation kindly requests the Chairperson to inform the members of the Executive Council and the States Parties in general accordingly.

The Permanent Representation of the Kingdom of Denmark to the Organization for the Prohibition on Chemical Weapons avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Chairperson of the Executive Council the assurances of its highest consideration.

The Hague, 4 October 2017



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