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DECISION

FOLLOW-UP ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN OPCW OFFICE IN AFRICA

The Conference of the States Parties,

Recalling the provisions of a decision it took at its Tenth Session on the establishment of an OPCW Office in Africa with the objective of promoting the universality of the Chemical Weapons Convention as well as its effective implementation (C-10/DEC.13, dated 10 November 2005);

Welcoming the establishment by the Executive Council (hereinafter “the Council”) at its Forty-Third Session of an *ad hoc*, open-ended working group to examine the administrative, financial, and legal aspects of a proposal to establish an OPCW Office in Africa, and the appointment of a facilitator of the working group (paragraph 10 of EC-43/2, dated 6 December 2005);

Commending the facilitator of the open-ended working group, and the Technical Secretariat (hereinafter “the Secretariat”), for their efforts in assisting States Parties in the implementation of C-10/DEC.13;

Having considered the proposal by the African Group of States Parties to explore further the possibilities of closer cooperation with the African Union Commission for the implementation of C-10/DEC.13;

Having also considered the request of the African Group to elaborate further on the administrative and budgetary implications of a temporary presence of an OPCW Office in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, for a period of one year; and

Bearing in mind the recommendations the Council has made on this matter at its Twenty-Sixth Meeting;

Hereby:

1. **Extends** to its Twelfth Session the provisions of C-10/DEC.13; and
2. **Requests** the Secretariat to continue its efforts to assist the Council in the implementation of that decision.

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