

American Model United Nations General Assembly First Committee

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SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION:

Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction

SUBMITTED TO:

The General Assembly First Committee

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1 *Recalling* Security Council Resolution 1540 (2004), in which the risk of acquisition, development, trafficking 2 in or use of chemical weapons by non-state actors is addressed,

Noting the implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Produciton, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction (CWC) of 29 April 1997, in which 192 state parties agreed to disarm chemical weapons by destroying all stockpiles of chemical weapons Member States may hold and any facilities which produced chemical weapons, as well as any chemical weapons they abandoned on the territory of other Member States in the past,

8 *Noting further* that production facilities capable of producing chemical weapons remain in existence and 9 have not yet been converted or destroyed,

10 *Deeply concerned* by the possession, creation or attempted procurement of chemical weapons by state or 11 non-state actors,

12 Placing further emphasis on a procedure for full disclosure of information regarding chemical weapons stock-13 piles and facilities in which they are housed by Member States and means by which to destroy them,

14 Alarmed by the lack of domestic legislation to enforce the CWC,

15 *Expecting* Member States to adopt legislation regarding safe methods of destruction of chemical weapons in 16 a timely manner,

17 1. *Requests* that Member States establish an agenda that would allow direct reporting to the Organization 18 for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) on the use and stockpiling of chemical weapons by non-state 19 actors;

20 2. *Endorses* the disassembly of current chemical weapons factories or their repurposement;

- 3. Calls upon Member States to enact legislation:
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(a) regarding the disassembly of chemical weapons factories or their repurposement;

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(b) further achieving the universality of the CWC's objective purpose on a State level;

4. *Implores* that Member States continue to uphold the provisions outlined in the CWC;

5. *Further encourages* the continued cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons;

6. *Takes note of* the lack of cooperation between the OPCW and the United Nations regarding the implementation of the CWC due to the lack of full ratification of all Member States;

7. *Expresses its hope* that Member States that have signed the CWC will reduce their chemical weapons stockpiles and facilities;

8. *Draws the attention to* Part IV C of the CWC that relates to old and abandoned chemical weapons around the world and the procedure of their destruction which should be the primary focus of the Member States within the CWC and the OPCW; 9. *Recommends* that Member States continue to regulate the proper disposal methods such as neutralization and incineration of chemical weapons as outlined in the CWC and the OPCW and that Member States with information on technology to better this process establish procedures allowing for full disclosure of this information;

10. *Transmits the urgency* to all Member States currently signed to the CWC to create and implement plans for a deadline reaching all goals listed in this resolution by 31 December 2020 which are:

- 39 (a) a procedure regarding the repurposing or destruction of chemical weapons facilities;
- 40 (b) the implementation of state level legislation of the CWC;
- 41 (c) reporting of non-state agents' actions with chemical weapons to the OPCW;
- 42 (d) Member States who have signed but not yet completed the destruction will do so by this date.

Passed, Yes: 52 / No: 45 / Abstain: 13