



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 *Reaffirming* resolution 69/67 which affirmed that the destruction of chemical weapons material in the terri-
2 tory of the Syrian Arab Republic has still not occurred,

3 *Further reaffirming* Security Council resolution 2118 as unanimously adopted, which endorsed the decision
4 of the Organization of Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) Executive Council 27 September 2013 containing
5 special procedures for the expeditious destruction of the Syrian Arab Republic's chemical weapons program and
6 stringent verification,

7 *Appreciating* the efforts made by the OPCW in the dismantling and destroying of the chemical weapons of
8 several nations to achieve its goal of guaranteeing a safe, secure and weapon free environment for all of humanity,

9 *Recalling* Article VII (National Implementation Measures) of the Convention on the Prohibition of the
10 Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction,

11 *Noting* the importance of ensuring that all Member States sign the Convention on the Prohibition of the
12 Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction (CWC) for the
13 purpose of global security,

14 *Recognizing* the need for humanitarian aid for civilians of those nations that constantly suffer from the threat
15 of chemical weapons,

16 *Guided* by the framework on non-proliferation set by Security Council Resolution 1540, calling for interna-
17 tional cooperation in preventing non-state actors from obtaining Chemical weapons,

18 *Further Recalling* the relevant articles of resolutions 65/57, 66/35 , 67/54 , 68/45 and 69/67, which provide
19 guidelines to ensure implementation of the provisions of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development,
20 Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction,

21 *Gravely concerned* by the threat of non-state actors, identified by Security Council Resolution 1267 and 1373,
22 and their ability to acquire, develop, traffic and use chemical and biological weapons and their means of delivery,

23 *Determined* to uphold resolutions and national legislation to prevent the production, development, acquisi-
24 tion, stockpiling, transfer, and use of chemical weapons,

25 *Cognizant* of the need of financial feasibility for the methods used to destroy chemical weapons which is
26 deterring nations to fully comply with the Chemical Weapons Convention,

27 *Desiring* the cooperation of all Member States in taking effective steps in order to maintain domestic control
28 over the prevention of proliferation of chemical weapons,

29 *Reaffirming* that all the methods listed will not result in unnecessary, extreme ecological harm,

30 1. *Urges* the international community to destroy all existing stockpiles of chemical weapons through processes
31 including:

32 (a) Methods of incineration or other relevant and viable alternatives by means of;

33 (i) Disassembling of delivery vessels according to standard protocol;

34 (ii) Draining chemical agents and transportation to liquid incinerators;

35 (iii) Disassembling of projectile parts by feeding to metal furnace for high intensity melting;
36 (iv) Referring to the Chemical Agent Munition Disposal System (CAMDS) as a framework for the
37 above process;

38 (b) The process of neutralisation as safely used to eliminate stockpiles of mustard agent in the past
39 can also be used in relevant scenarios;

40 2. *Invites* all Member States to adopt precautions while conducting the destruction of chemical stockpiles
41 in order to ensure the safety of civilians in and around the concerned destruction site including continued storage
42 and destruction of stockpiles on site to ensure that no leaks occur;

43 3. *Urges* all Member States to increase transparency and build confidence in compliance with the CWC and
44 also to realize that those who do not will be considered as violators;

45 4. *Calls upon* all Member States to conduct training of inspectors in cooperation with the OPCW while
46 maintaining national sovereignty so as to allow more effective prevention of proliferation of chemical weapons, while
47 also conducting anti-corruption efforts in the same;

48 5. *Recommends* heightened screening measures at state borders to ensure accurate reporting in the Chemical
49 Hazards Database of the quantity of chemical weapons and agents being moved between states comprising:

50 (a) Online screening tools and software modeled after iTrace;

51 (b) Handheld emissions detectors;

52 (c) Searches of suspicious cargo;

53 6. *Calls upon* the creation of the Chemical Hazards Database (CHD), an international database modeled after
54 the International Tracing Instrument (ITI) that will enable states to efficiently and reliably track the location and
55 trade of toxic chemical agents and chemical weapons as well as the progress of destruction measures as implemented
56 under the CWC;

57 7. *Encourages* the transparency of technology used in the process of preventing the stockpiling and use of
58 chemical weapons;

59 8. *Calls upon* Member States to pass national legislation prohibiting the development, usage and stockpiling
60 of chemical weapons;

61 9. *Urges* all Member States to submit bi-annual reports to the OPCW regarding the technology and best
62 practices of it so that chemical weapons can be effectively tracked and contained;

63 10. *Calls upon* Member States to provide support and assistance to developing nations to ensure that
64 monetary aspects do not cause a hindrance to ensure destruction of existing stockpiles and the provisions regarding
65 training of personnel, as mentioned in this document.

Passed, Yes: 70 / No: 14 / Abstain: 26