F.No. M-11016/1/2014-NA Government of India Cabinet Secretariat National Authority Chemical Weapons Convention

1st Floor, Chanakya Bhawan, Chanakya Puri, New Delhi, dated 12th February 2020

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Invitation for the Forty-Seventh Official OPCW Proficiency Test-regarding.

Please find enclosed herewith a copy of the TS Note No. S/1825/2020 Dated 22 January 2020, received from Technical Secretariat, Organization for Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW), seeking nominations on the above mentioned subject.

- 2. In view of above, it is requested to send nomination(s) in the requisite proforma of above TS Note for participation in the Forty-Seventh OPCW Official Proficiency Test to NACWC, New Delhi by 23rd March 2020 or earlier for onward transmission to OPCW. Closing date for receiving complete nomination at OPCW is 03rd April 2020. Anticipated date of sample dispatch from OPCW is 24th April 2020.
- 3. Prospective first-time participants and those planning to take the above proficiency test on a "trial" basis are requested to contact the OPCW Laboratory (Tel: +31 (0)15 215 4624 or +31 (0)15 215 4629; Email: proficiency@opcw.org) for CWC related analysis of chemicals before sending complete nomination to NACWC, New Delhi.

Enclosure: As above

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NOTE BY THE TECHNICAL SECRETARIAT

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR THE FORTY-SEVENTH OFFICIAL OPCW PROFICIENCY TEST

- 1. Following the Note by the Director-General announcing the tentative schedule for Official OPCW Proficiency Tests in 2020 and 2021 (S/1817/2019, dated 19 December 2019), the Technical Secretariat welcomes nominations for the Forty-Seventh Official OPCW Proficiency Test, which will be conducted in April 2020.
- 2. Prospective first-time participants and those planning to take the test on a "trial" basis are requested to contact the OPCW Laboratory (see below for contact details) at their earliest convenience, as a more suitable introduction to Chemical Weapons Convention-related chemical analysis is available.
- 3. For the test, the Swedish Defence Research Agency (FOI) will prepare the test samples and the Combat Capabilities Development Command (CCDC) Chemical Biological Center, Forensic Analytical Laboratory, United States of America, will assist in the evaluation of the results. The anticipated sample dispatch date is 24 April 2020 and the samples will be shipped to the test participants from the sample preparation laboratory.
- 4. The test will be conducted in accordance with the following set of quality-management system documents:
 - (a) "Standard Operating Procedure for the Organisation of OPCW Proficiency Tests" (QDOC/LAB/SOP/PT01);
 - (b) "Work Instruction for the Preparation of Test Samples for OPCW Proficiency Tests" (QDOC/LAB/WI/PT02);
 - (c) "Work Instruction for the Evaluation of Results of OPCW Proficiency Tests" (ODOC/LAB/WI/PT03); and
 - (d) "Work Instruction for the Reporting of the Results of the OPCW Proficiency Tests" (QDOC/LAB/WI/PT04).
- 5. Member States of the OPCW are invited to nominate participating laboratories by email (proficiency@opcw.org). The closing date for nominations is 3 April 2020.

- 6. Nominations should contain the following information:
 - (a) the full name and address of the laboratory;
 - (b) the detailed sample delivery address (if different);
 - (c) the name, telephone number, and email address of the laboratory contact person; and
 - (d) any other special requirements or information needed to ensure sample delivery.
- 7. The nomination form that is annexed to this document may be used to submit the nominations.
- 8. In order to confirm participation in the Forty-Seventh Official OPCW Proficiency Test, previous test participants must, where required, submit to the OPCW Laboratory, before 3 April 2020, their follow-up action report stating the cause of the problem and the remedial actions they have taken as a result of their participation in the last proficiency test. Early submission of such reports is strongly encouraged.
- 9. Participants are required to contact the OPCW Laboratory by email (proficiency@opcw.org) before the sample dispatch date to confirm their contact details for the test sample delivery.
- Participants are also requested to arrange internal customs clearance procedures for the samples in order to prevent any unnecessary delays during the sample delivery process.
- 11. The meeting to discuss the preliminary results of the test is tentatively scheduled for 14 July 2020 at the OPCW Headquarters in The Hague, the Netherlands.
- 12. Further information regarding participation in OPCW proficiency tests may be obtained from the OPCW Laboratory (Tel: +31 (0)15 215 4624 or +31 (0)15 215 4629; Email: proficiency@opcw.org).

Annex: Forty-Seventh Official OPCW Proficiency Test – Nomination Form

Annex

FORTY-SEVENTH OFFICIAL OPCW PROFICIENCY TEST NOMINATION FORM

(CLOSING DATE FOR NOMINATIONS: 3 APRIL 2020)

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Name of the laboratory	
Address of the laboratory	
Nature of work related to the Chemical Weapons Convention	
Quality management system and accreditation body, if any	
Full sample delivery address (if different from laboratory address)	
Special requirements for sample delivery (e.g. customs requirements, preferred courier agency)	
Primary contact person's name, telephone number, and email address	
Secondary contact person's name, telephone number, and email address	
Date of follow-up report submission (if applicable)	
Name, signature, and affiliation of the person nominating the laboratory	
Approval of the National Authority (official seal and signature)	