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### **THE TENTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CHEMICAL WEAPONS CONVENTION: ASSESSMENT AND PERSPECTIVES**

**ROME, 19 APRIL 2007**

*Palazzo Rospigliosi  
Via XXIV Maggio, 43*

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### **PROGRAMME**

*Special thanks to Green Cross Italia  
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09.15-10.45    **OPENING SESSION**

**Vittorio Michele Craxi**, Undersecretary of State, Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Rome

**Stefano Silvestri**, President, Istituto Affari Internazionali, Rome

**Umberto Ranieri**, Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee, Italian Chamber of Deputies, Rome

**Guido Pollice**, President, Green Cross Italia, Rome

**Rogelio Pfirter**, Ambassador, Director -General, Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons-OPCW, The Hague

10.45-12.45    **ASSESSMENT OF THE CONVENTION**

*Of all the disarmament and non-proliferation initiatives, the CWC seems to be the most effective.*

*What is the legal and political assessment of the CWC?*

*What is the relationship between the CWC and humanitarian law?*

*What are the remaining, grey areas?*

*What progress in achieving the goal of universality?*

CHAIR:    **Elio Pacilio**, Vice-President Executive, Green Cross Italia, Rome

**Sergey Batsanov**, Director, Geneva Office of International PUGWASH

**Natalino Ronzitti**, Professor of International Law, Faculty of Law, LUISS University; Scientific Advisor, Istituto Affari Internazionali, Rome

**Michael Bothe**, Professor of International Law, J.W. Goethe University, Wilhelm Merton Centre for European Integration and International Economic Order, Frankfurt

**Daniel Nord**, Deputy Director, Stockholm Institute of Peace Research, Stockholm

12.45-14.00    Buffet-lunch

14.00-15.45    **DISARMAMENT AND DESTRUCTION CHALLENGES**

*Despite progress, actual implementation of the CWC is moving slower than expected; requests for extensions of the final date for the destruction of the declared chemical weapons stockpiles have been approved. Moreover, the disarmament pledge is not immune to verification discussion.*

*Which are the technical, economic and political difficulties slowing down the process?*

*Can the reliability of the verification mechanisms be enhanced?*

CHAIR:    **Stefano Silvestri**, President, Istituto Affari Internazionali, Rome

**Rein Müllerson**, Professor of International Law, School of Law, King's College of London, University of London

**Alexander Kelle**, Lecturer in International Politics, School of Politics, International Studies and Philosophy, Queen's University of Belfast, UK

***Giacinto Costantino***, Director, NBC Interforce Technical Logistic Centre, Civitavecchia

***Miriam Ramella***, Representative of the Italian Ministry for Foreign Trade, Rome

***Bruno Brianzoli***, Member of the Board, Federchimica, Milan

15.45-16.15 Coffee-break

16.15-18.00 **DISARMAMENT AND FUTURE PROSPECTS**

*Examining past experience might allow to draw meaningful lessons for the future, also in view of the next Review Conference.*

*How to make the CWC fully successful? Is the CWC experience somehow applicable to other disarmament and non-proliferation regimes? Can the success of the CWC have an impact on similar initiatives in the Biological and Nuclear sector? What needs to be done to reduce significantly the risk of a spread of weapons of mass destruction?*

CHAIR: ***Carlo Trezza***, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Italy to the Conference on Disarmament, Geneva

***Yoram Dinstein***, Professor Emeritus of International Law, Tel Aviv University

***Mohamed Shaker***, Ambassador, Vice-chairman, Egyptian Council for Foreign Affairs, Cairo

***Finn Longinotto***, Legacy Programme Fellow, Global Green USA, Washington

18.00-18.30 **CONCLUDING REMARKS**

***Giacomo Sanfelice di Monteforte***, Minister Plenipotentiary, Deputy Director General for Multilateral Political Affairs and Human Rights, Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Rome



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