Meeting of the States Parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction

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Estimated costs of the Preparatory Committee and Seventh Review Conference of the States Parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction

### Note by the Secretariat

- 1. By resolution 64/70, adopted without a vote on 2 December 2009, the General Assembly, *inter alia*, requested the Secretary-General of the United Nations to continue to render the necessary assistance to the depositary Governments of the Convention and to provide such services as may be required for the implementation of the decisions and recommendations of the Review Conferences.
- 2. This document is submitted pursuant to the above-mentioned resolution and in accordance with the decision of the Sixth Review Conference to convene a preparatory committee and the Seventh Review Conference in the year 2011<sup>1</sup>. Estimated costs of conference and non-conference servicing of these two meetings in 2011 amount to **US\$2,010,300**. A breakdown of these costs by meeting is annexed.
- 3. It should be noted that the costs are estimated on the basis of past experience and anticipated workload. The actual costs will be determined after the closure of the sessions and completion of related work, with all relevant expenditures recorded in the accounts. At that time, any adjustments in contributions by the participants sharing the costs will be determined accordingly.
- 4. With regard to the financial arrangements, it will be recalled that in accordance with the practice followed on the occasion of previous multilateral disarmament conferences, and as reflected in the Rules of Procedure, the costs of such conferences, including those pertaining to preparatory meetings, would be shared among the States Parties participating

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See BWC/CONF.VI/6, Part II, paragraph 61.

in the conferences, based upon the United Nations scale of assessment pro-rated to take into account the number of States Parties participating in the conference. States that are not States Parties but that have accepted the invitation to take part in the meeting would share in the costs to the extent of their respective rates of assessment under the United Nations scale of assessments.

5. Subject to the States Parties' approval of the estimated costs and cost-sharing formula, assessment notices will be prepared based on the overall estimated costs and applicable cost-sharing formula. Since the above-mentioned activities shall have no financial implication for the regular budget of the Organization, States Parties should proceed with the payment of their share of the estimated costs as soon as assessment notices are received.

## Annex

# Breakdown of costs by meeting

Table 1 **2011 BWC – Summary of meetings** 

| Item  |  |         | Cost (\$) |
|---|--|---------|-----------|
| A. Conference-servicing items   |  |         |           |
| Interpretation and meeting servicing  |  |         | 377,800   |
| Translation of documentation  | Pre-session  | 146,000 |           |
|   | In-session <sup>b</sup>  | 412,500 |           |
|   | Summary records  | 140,800 |           |
|   | Post-session   | 107,500 |           |
|   |  |         | 806,800   |
| Support services requirements   |  |         | 20,000    |
| Other requirements  |  |         | 41,500    |
| Total A. Conference-servicing items (including 13% programme support costs) |  |         | 1,246,100 |
| B. Non-conference-servicing requi   | rements  |         |           |
| Implementation Support Unit   | Fixed-term staff (one P-5, one P-3 <sup>c</sup> , one P-2 <sup>c</sup> ) | 589,200 |           |
|   | Travel   | 20,000  |           |
|   | Equipment and supplies   | 5,000   |           |
|   |  | ,       | 614,200   |
| Temporary assistance (administrative  |  |         |           |
| support)  |  |         | 37,400    |
| Temporary assistance (press coverage)                                       |  |         | 24,700    |
| Sub-total   |  |         | 676,300   |
| Programme support costs @ 13% of B  |  |         | 87,900    |
| Total B. Non-conference servicing requirements                              |  |         | 764,200   |
| Grand total (rounded) A+B   |  |         | 2,010,300 |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> at US\$ 1 = CHF 0.984

b National papers submitted by States Parties to the Review Conference will only be translated if requested by any State Party.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>c</sup> Levels subject to review in accordance with United Nations human resources procedures.

Table 2 **2011 BWC – Preparatory Committee meeting, Geneva** Dates to be held: 3 working days in 2011

| Item   |  |             | $Cost(\$)^a$ |
|--|--|-------------|--------------|
| A. Conference-servicing items                  |  |             |              |
| Interpretation and meeting servicing           |  |             | 66,700       |
| Translation of documentation                   | Pre-session  | 29,900      |              |
|  | In-session   | 68,900      |              |
|  | Summary records  |             |              |
|  | Post-session   | 42,200      |              |
|  |  |             | 141,000      |
| Support services requirements                  |  |             | 3,400        |
| Other requirements                             |  |             | 7,100        |
| Total A. Conference-servicing ite              | ms (including 13% programme supp                         | port costs) | 218,200      |
| B. Non-conference-servicing requ               | irements   |             |              |
| Implementation Support Unit                    | Fixed-term staff (one P-5, one P- $3^b$ , one P- $2^b$ ) | 589,200     |              |
|  | Travel   | 20,000      |              |
|  | Equipment and supplies                                   | 5,000       |              |
|  |  |             | 614,200      |
| Sub-total                                      |  |             | 614,200      |
| Programme support costs @ 13% of B             |  |             | 79,800       |
| Total B. Non-conference servicing requirements |  | 694,000     |              |
| Grand total (rounded) A+B                      |  |             | 912,200      |

 $<sup>^</sup>a$  at US\$ 1 = CHF 0.984  $^b$  Levels subject to review in accordance with United Nations human resources procedures.

Table 3 **2011 BWC – Seventh Review Conference, Geneva** Dates to be held: 14 working days in 2011

| Item                                  |                             |                  | $Cost(\$)^a$ |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|--------------|
| A. Conference-servicing items         |                             |                  |              |
| Interpretation and meeting servicing  |                             |                  | 311,100      |
| Translation of documentation          | Pre-session                 | 116,100          |              |
|                                       | In-session <sup>b</sup>     | 343,600          |              |
|                                       | Summary records             | 140,800          |              |
|                                       | Post-session                | 65,300           |              |
|                                       |                             |                  | 665,800      |
| Support services requirements         |                             |                  | 16,600       |
| Other requirements                    |                             |                  | 34,400       |
| Total A. Conference-servicing ite     | ems (including 13% programm | e support costs) | 1,027,900    |
| B. Non-conference-servicing req       | uirements                   |                  |              |
| Temporary assistance (administrative  |                             |                  |              |
| support)                              |                             |                  | 37,400       |
| Temporary assistance (press coverage) | )                           |                  | 24,700       |
| Sub-total                             |                             |                  | 62,100       |
| Programme support costs @ 13% of B    | }                           |                  | 8,100        |
| Total B. Non-conference servicin      | ng requirements             |                  | 70,200       |
| Grand total (rounded) A+B             |                             |                  | 1,098,100    |

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