Explanation of Vote of the Delegation of the Islamic Republic of Iran
On draft Resolutions A/C.1/65/L.23
Entitled “Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the
Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and
on Their Destruction”

In the Name of God, the Compassionate, the Merciful

Mr. Chairman,

My delegation joined the consensus on resolution A/C.1/65/L.23 entitled
“Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development,
Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their
 Destruction.”

However, my delegation would like to put on the record that all State Parties
to the CWC should fully comply with all of their obligations under the
Convention in order to uphold its integrity and credibility.

The Islamic Republic of Iran is concerned over the delay indicated by a
major possessor State Party that it would not comply with its obligation for
the completion of destruction activities within the final extended deadline
adopted by the decision of the Conference of State Parties. We call upon
major possessor State Parties to make every effort necessary to meet its final
extended deadline for destruction.

It is strongly recommended that no action be undertaken to rewrite, amend,
and/or reinterpret the Convention. Instead, it is robustly suggested that the
relevant States Parties bear the burden of non-compliance.

I thank you Mr. Chairman.