STATEMENT

by the Spokesperson of EU High Representative Catherine Ashton on EU support to the OPCW Special Trust Fund for the Destruction of Syrian chemical weapons

The spokesperson of Catherine Ashton, High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy and Vice President of the Commission, issued the following statement today:

"In recognition of the importance of the unprecedented challenge of destroying Syrian chemical weapons, the EU has today pledged 12 million Euro to the OPCW Special Trust Fund for the destruction of these chemicals. This is in addition to the offers of support made by Member States.

The EU is committed to supporting OPCW and the UN in carrying out the destruction plan, which can open the way for a peaceful and durable solution to the crisis in that country."

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