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Measures to uphold the authority of the 1925 Geneva Protocol

Note by the Secretary-General

1. At its fifty-ninth session, the General Assembly adopted resolution 59/70 of 3 December 2004, entitled "Measures to uphold the authority of the 1925 Geneva Protocol", paragraphs 2 to 4 of which read as follows:

"The General Assembly,

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"2. *Renews its previous call* to all States to observe strictly the principles and objectives of the Protocol for the Prohibition of the Use in War of Asphyxiating, Poisonous or Other Gases, and of Bacteriological Methods of Warfare,¹ and reaffirms the vital necessity of upholding its provisions;

"3. *Calls upon* those States that continue to maintain reservations to the 1925 Geneva Protocol to withdraw them;

"4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its sixty-first session a report on the implementation of the present resolution.

"League of Nations, Treaty Series, vol. XCIV (1929), No. 2138."

2. Since the adoption of resolution 59/70, no withdrawals of reservations by States parties have been reported by the depositary of the 1925 Geneva Protocol.

3. Should the Secretary-General receive notice of withdrawals of reservations to the 1925 Geneva Protocol, Member States shall be duly informed of that fact.

* A/61/50 and Corr.1.

