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### Press Release

Her Excellency Ms. Sewa Lamsal, Ambassador of Nepal to the BENELUX Countries, Head of Mission in the EU and the Permanent Representative of Nepal to the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW), formally presented her Letters of Credence to His Excellency Mr. Fernando Arias, Director-General of the OPCW, today. The ceremony took place at the OPCW Headquarters in The Hague, signifying the official commencement of her duties as Nepal's Permanent Representative to this crucial international disarmament body.

Following the formal presentation, Ambassador Lamsal held a courtesy meeting with Director-General Arias. She underlined the Government of Nepal's unwavering commitment to the principles and objectives of the Chemical Weapons Convention (CWC), reaffirming Nepal's principled position against the production, stockpiling, and use of chemical weapons by any actor, under any pretext.

Ambassador Lamsal emphasized Nepal's steadfast support to general and complete disarmament and its firm belief in a peaceful world free from all weapons of mass destruction. She highlighted Nepal's proactive role as a State Party and its efforts to fully implement the CWC provisions at the national level and beyond.

Furthermore, she expressed Nepal's interest in expanding cooperation with the OPCW, particularly in the areas of peaceful uses of nuclear energy, capacity building, and assistance and protection against chemical threats. Underscoring Nepal's strong commitment to multilateralism and its determination to actively contribute to global peace and security, she stressed the importance of international cooperation, especially for developing countries like Nepal, to strengthen national capabilities in chemical safety and security.

Director-General Fernando Arias welcomed Ambassador Lamsal and congratulated her on her appointment. He expressed appreciation for Nepal's continuous support and constructive engagement with the OPCW's mandate. He further affirmed the OPCW's readiness to collaborate closely with Nepal to ensure the effective implementation of the Convention.

Ambassador Lamsal was accompanied by Ms. Aayusha Khanal, Second Secretary from the Embassy of Nepal in Brussels.

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