The Permanent Mission of the State of Qatar to the United Nations presents its compliments to the United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs, and in reference to the latter's note verbale dated 14 March 2008 (ref. ODA/24-2008/NLDU) concerning United Nations General Assembly resolution A/RES/62/26 entitled "National legislation on transfer of arms, military equipment and dual-use goods and technology", has the honour to provide the following relevant information as provided by the competent authorities in the State of Qatar:

The Council of Ministers of the State of Qatar adopted resolution 26 (2004), which established the National Committee for the Prohibition of Weapons, whose mandate include:

1. To work to achieve the goals of the international conventions related to arms of all kinds (nuclear, biological, toxic, chemical and conventional), of which the State of Qatar is a party.
2. To propose national legislation and actions necessary to implement the international conventions on disarmament.
3. To review national legislation related to arms and illegal trade in arms, and to propose ways to develop and amend it.
4. To prepare reports related to arms to be submitted by the State to international bodies in compliance with relevant international conventions and resolutions.
5. To prepare and implement programs necessary for raising awareness of the subject of the international disarmament conventions.

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- Law no. 17 (2007) concerning chemical weapons was promulgated. It guarantees the implementation of the State of Qatar of its obligations due to its ratification of the Chemical Weapons Convention, including with regard to the transport of chemicals.

- Law no. 21 (2002) on protection from radiation was promulgated, and the Chairman of the Supreme Council for the Environment and Natural Reserves issued a decision that sets the regulations of that law. The law and its regulations control the process of possession of radioactive materials at all stages, including import, export, transport and storage.

- The General Authority for Customs and Ports coordinates with the National sea and air transport companies in order to control such matters.

The Permanent Mission of the State of Qatar to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs the assurances of its highest consideration.

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