

control have been its production of a Handbook for the Investigation of Allegations of the Use of Chemical and Biological Weapons in 1985; its sponsorship of three investigations of alleged Soviet use of toxin weapons in Southeast Asia;¹ and the submission to the CD of various working papers relating to a chemical weapons ban. In 1986 Canada tabled a document dealing with an international system for classifying chemical substances, and on 9 July 1987, Canada and Norway submitted a working paper on the verification of alleged use of chemical weapons. This paper contained proposals to be included in the annex to article IX of a future convention.²

Canada was an active participant at the Ad Hoc meeting of scientific and technical experts held in Geneva in March and April 1987 in accordance with the provisions of the Final Declaration of the second review conference on the BWC. There Canada contributed to a better understanding of the utility of adopting criteria relating to disease outbreaks, as well as containment standards for research facilities.³

¹ Handbook for the Investigation of Allegations of the Use of Chemical and Biological Weapons, Ottawa, Department of External Affairs, November 1985; Butler, G. C., Report on the Use of Chemical Warfare in Southeast Asia (Memo to External Affairs), 2 December 1981; Shiefer, H. B., Study of the Possible Use of Chemical Warfare in Southeast Asia (A Report to the Department of External Affairs), Ottawa, 1982; Norman, J. J., and Purdon, J. J., Final Summary Report on the Investigation of Yellow Rain Samples from Southeast Asia, Ottawa, Defence Research Establishment, February 1986; Department of External Affairs, Arms Control and Disarmament Division, Conference on Disarmament: Chemical Weapons Working Papers, 1986 Session, Ottawa, June 1987; and Department of External Affairs, Arms Control and Disarmament Division, Conference on Disarmament: Chemical Weapons - Final Records (PV), 1986 Session, Ottawa, June 1987.

² CD/766, 9 July 1987.

³ "Biological Weapons: Successful Conference Outcome," The Disarmament Bulletin, Summer-Fall 1987, p. 10.