

ENABLING LEGISLATION

Once Canada signs the Chemical Weapons Convention, it will have to establish the necessary legislative and administrative/regulatory measures to implement the Convention. Canada's basic obligations will be:

- (i) to designate or establish a National Authority;
- (ii) to collect and transmit data required by the International Authority;
- (iii) to provide assistance for international on-site inspections; and
- (iv) to respond to requests for the provision of expertise, information and laboratory support.

IMPLEMENTATION

It seems appropriate to suggest that the necessary enabling legislation be developed by those departments with the greatest direct interest in the legislation, but also that others will have concerns to be addressed either directly or indirectly.

External Affairs and International Trade Canada will be involved: in liaison with the CWC's International Authority, consisting of a Consultative Committee, Executive Council and Technical Secretariat; in the accreditation to