

- on a random basis
 - on an agreed basis, either bilaterally or through the Consultative Committee
- "Challenge" procedures - non-routine verification of compliance.¹

It is a generally accepted principle that a Consultative Committee should be established and that it have the following responsibilities:

- "(a) establishing (and revising) procedures for the exchange of information, for declarations, and for technical measures related to the implementation of the Convention;
- (b) receiving, keeping, and making available to States Parties, declarations, plans, and notifications presented by States Parties in accordance with the Convention;
- (c) carrying out all activities relating to the execution of measures of verification as specified in the Convention; further specifying procedures for conduct of systematic international on-site inspection in accordance with the provisions of the Convention; receiving and considering requests for fact-finding procedures and to conduct such procedures;
- (d) cooperating with the national authorities of States Parties in the implementation of the Convention;
- (e) facilitating consultations and cooperation among States Parties at their request by means of rendering services to them;
- (f) reviewing scientific and technical developments which could affect the operation of the Convention;
- (g) encouraging international scientific and technical cooperation in the chemical field for peaceful purposes."²

A Technical Secretariat would be established as a sub-organ of the Consultative Committee and its duties would be to provide support to the Consultative Committee and the Executive Council, to provide technical assistance to the States Parties, to

¹ Modified from: CD/416, Report of the Ad Hoc Committee on Chemical Weapons, 22 August 1983, Annex I, pp. 5-6.

² CD/CW/WP. 122, Ad Hoc Committee on Chemical Weapons, Working Group C, Article VIII, Consultative Committee, 2 August 1985, pp. 1-2. See also CD/CW/WP. 126, Ad Hoc Committee on Chemical Weapons, Working Group C, Report on Working Group C, 9 August 1985, pp. 3-4.