



The CTBT deals with one aspect of our quest to build a better world which might permit the eradication of all nuclear weapons. The CTBT, with its verification and on-site-inspection regime, is a stronger deterrent to the development of nuclear weapons than all previous disarmament treaties and is a major contribution to a practical and sustainable step-by-step approach to the reduction and eventual elimination of nuclear weapons.

Canada will contribute 15 monitoring stations and a radionuclide laboratory as our portion of the IMS. These facilities will be managed by the Geological Survey of Canada (GSC) of Natural Resources Canada (NRCan) and Health Canada, in conjunction with Environment Canada.

The Canadian National Authority of the CTBT, chaired by the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade (DFAIT) within the Nuclear, Non-proliferation and Disarmament Implementation Agency, and including all relevant federal departments, has the overall responsibility to implement the Treaty and to serve as Canada's focal point for liaison with the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization (CTBTO), located in Vienna, and with other States Parties.

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