

Result - The inspection team concluded that there was no evidence that the laboratories were configured for the handling of toxic chemicals, nor did they have any features that could be suggestive of the company violating the CWC.

8. Sick Bay

The team leader was shown the sick bay.

Result - The sick bay was observed to be a small room containing a small bed and a small medicine cabinet. There were no medicines or therapies related to the treatment of poisoning by chemical warfare agents, or any breathing apparatus.

Conclusions

The inspection team concluded that, provided the inspection team contained an appropriately trained and experienced chemical engineer and chemist, it was possible to develop an appropriate inspection plan for a chemical plantsite, within a reasonably short time (15-20 minutes).

By the conduct of an inspection based on this inspection plan, the inspection team concluded that all of the activities that were observed during the inspection were consistent with the consumption of the declared quantity of Triethanolamine, and were consistent with the information received from the company staff during the initial briefing. The inspection team was satisfied that the company was not involved in activities that would be in violation of the CWC.

The actual inspection took approximately 1.5 hours, and the analysis of the samples approximately 2.5 hours.

At the conclusion of the inspection, the production manager of the inspected plantsite commented favourably on the conduct of the inspection, noting that there had been no loss of production because of the inspection, and that the company was satisfied that the inspection team had taken the necessary measures with regard to the protection of confidential information and data.

Participants of the workshop noted with interest the conduct of the inspection.