

(3) Co-operation in the development of protective measures

Suggestions were made that a convention should contain specific provisions regarding co-operation and technical assistance in the field of protective measures. This question was not examined in depth.

(4) Co-operation and technical assistance

It was suggested that a convention should include provisions regarding co-operation and technical assistance in the peaceful uses of toxic chemicals as well as on the transfer, especially to developing countries, of resources released by the prohibition of chemical weapons. This question was not examined in depth.

12. At the suggestion of the Chairman, the Working Group noted that, inter alia, the following issues had not been discussed in depth during the 1980 session and would have to be taken into consideration at a later stage:

- Preamble
- Conditions for entry into force
- Signature, ratification, accession, etc.
- Depositaries (Governments or Secretary-General of the United Nations)
- Duration
- Review conferences
- Withdrawals
- Protocols and annexes
- Procedures for amendment

13. Various definitions of "chemical weapons" and other terms were suggested during the discussions. At the suggestion of the Chairman the Working Group noted that the question of definition of terms and the clarification of various concepts would need to be taken up at a later stage.

14. The discussions confirmed the general recognition of the urgent need to negotiate and elaborate a multilateral convention on the complete and effective prohibition of the development, production and stockpiling of chemical weapons and on their destruction.

15. The Working Group recommends that at the beginning of its 1981 session the Committee on Disarmament set up a further working group under an appropriate mandate to be determined at that time to continue and advance the work undertaken by the 1980 Working Group in the discharge of the Committee's responsibility for the negotiation and elaboration of such a multilateral convention."