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Appendix I thus constitutes the preliminary formulations of provisions of the future Convention and aptly illustrates the present state of the process of negotiations on the prohibition of chemical weapons.

Since articles X, XI, XIII, XV and XVI of the preliminary structure of the future Convention were not considered during the 1985 session of the Ad Hoc Committee, no texts appear in Appendix I under the general titles of these articles.

I am convinced that Appendix I, as well as Appendix II and other existing and future documents of the Conference, will, as recommended in the report of the Ad Hoc Committee, be a useful basis for further negotiations and for the preparation of the Convention.

In pursuance of the recommendation of the Conference to continue the process of negotiation on the Convention after the closure of the 1985 session, in order to ensure that the time available in the period between September 1985 and January 1986 is more fully utilized for negotiations, the Ad Hoc Committee recommends that it should be convened at a resumed session to be held from 13 to 31 January 1986. This session would be devoted to the specific issues under articles IV and VI, including the relevant parts of article II, and under article IX. Moreover, the resumed session would be preceded by informal preparatory consultations which I intend to hold in Geneva from 30 September to 19 October 1985. I am also ready to carry out such consultations, if possible, in New York within the period of work of the United Nations General Assembly's First Committee, as well as again in Geneva during the week immediately before the January session of the Ad Hoc Committee. All these possibilities will, hopefully, enable delegations to take part in the preparation of the resumed session.

The Ad Hoc Committee also recommends that it be re-established before the end of the second week of the 1986 session with its 1985 mandate and that Ambassador R.I.T. Cromartie of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland be appointed as its Chairman. I offer my sincere congratulations on his designation.

I do not intend to embark on a complete and thorough analysis of the work of the Ad Hoc Committee in 1985. The work is adequately reflected in the report and each delegation will on its own analyse the texts therein. For my part, I would like to make only a few points. The preliminary formulations of the provisions of the future Convention contain an attempt at a more precise definition of the term "chemical weapons". Moreover, the provisions on declarations of chemical weapons' stocks were further developed. Very useful examples of tabulations associated with these declarations were elaborated. Progress was made on the matter of the preparation and presentation of plans for the elimination of chemical weapons, as well as on the question of the actual elimination of their stocks. The considerations on the production facilities were also carried out with, however, somewhat more modest results as regards the preliminary formulations arrived at. It may be stated that the provisions concerning the national implementation measures and the Consultative Committee were also expanded and improved. It was also possible to arrive at a formulation of a ban on use of chemical weapons, as well as of provisions contained in the Preamble and in articles XII and XIV.