

5. The two sides consider that States should make declarations -- within 30 days after they become parties to the convention -- regarding both their stocks of chemical weapons and their means of production of such weapons. Plans for the destruction or, where appropriate, diversion for permitted purposes of declared stocks of chemical weapons should also be declared; such plans should specify the volume and timing of destruction. Plans for the destruction or dismantling of relevant means of production should be declared not later than one year prior to the beginning of the destruction or dismantling. The two sides are continuing negotiations regarding the time-limit for declaring plans for the destruction or diversion of chemical weapons stocks, as well as regarding the specific content of the declarations pertaining to stocks of chemical weapons and means of production. In this connexion, no common understanding has yet been reached of the basic concept of means of production.
6. Destruction or diversion of declared stocks should be completed not later than ten years after a State becomes party to the convention. No agreement has yet been reached on the question of the time for beginning the destruction or diversion of stocks and some other related issues.
7. The two sides believe that parties to a convention which possess chemical weapons should have the right to convert temporarily former chemical weapons production facilities for the purpose of destroying their stocks of such weapons. Some aspects of the possibility of establishing a specialized facility or facilities for the destruction of chemical weapons are under discussion.
8. Both sides remain of the opinion that the parties to a convention should shut down and eventually destroy or dismantle the means of production declared in accordance with the convention. Each State party having such means of production should initiate their destruction or dismantling not later than eight years, and complete it not later than ten years after it becomes a party to the convention. Other issues in this area are the subject of continuing negotiations.
9. The US and the USSR continue to believe it advisable that the future convention contain provisions in accordance with which the parties would periodically exchange statements and notifications concerning progress of the destruction of stocks of chemical weapons or their diversion for permitted purposes, the progress of the destruction or dismantling of means of production, and of the completion of these processes.