of appropriate new — and the refinement of existing — land-mine locating and removal technologies, especially cost-effective ones that would be of greatest value and relevance to those states with the least available resources and the most difficult land-mine location and removal problems.

13. Consultative Commission

Creation of a CCW consultative commission (most likely as an alternative to the creation of the proposed Verification Commission, rather than as an adjunct to it) composed of representatives from the participating states. It would meet on request as well as on a set schedule (perhaps twice annually) and would function as a forum for the discussion of compliance issues and concerns, either on a formal or an informal basis. It would also be used as a forum for clarifying existing CCW undertakings and for discussing issues pertaining to amendments to and extensions of the CCW.

14. Implementation Review

Annual implementation review with a useable mechanism for proposing amendments (possibly to be subsumed under CBM 13 above but a distinct measure in the absence of the creation of a consultative commission including this responsibility).

15. Voluntary Invitations to Investigate

This potential CCW confidence building measure is unique in that it appears to offer a form of verification substitute. However, the objective of the measure is confidence building rather than verification, per se.

The "voluntary invitations" measure requires States parties to consider, on a voluntary basis, inviting observers from other states and/or CCW experts to travel to the inviting state in order to investigate, in a timely and cooperative manner, legitimate "concerns" registered about compliance with CCW terms.

In the event that the CCW review process leads to the creation of an explicit verification regime including a verification commission and the use of fact-