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Proposed Revisions to the Rolling Text

Article IV

Revise paragraph 5 (as in CW/Group B/5/Rev.3; 9 April 1990) to read as follows:

- "5. Each State Party shall:
- (a) destroy all chemical weapons pursuant to the Order of Destruction specified in the Annex to Article IV, beginning not later than one year from the date the Convention enters into force for it, and finishing not later than 10 years after the Convention enters into force or as determined by the special conference of States Parties to be held pursuant to Article VIII, section B, subsection (b), paragraph 4 bis. However, a State Party is not precluded from destroying its chemical weapons at a faster pace;"

Article VIII

- B. Conference of the States Parties
- (b) Powers and functions

Add a new subparagraph 4 bis as follows:

"A special conference of States Parties shall be held at the end of the eighth year after the date of entry into force of this Convention to discuss the implementation of the principles and objectives of the Convention. This special conference shall, inter alia determine in accordance with the procedures specified in the Annex to Article IV, whether the participation in the Convention is sufficient for proceeding