CW Capability

Refers to a State's or facility's technical capability with respect to the production of chemical weapons. A State which has produced and stockpiled CW clearly has such capability. A State which has not produced CW, but has the required technological ability, could also be said to possess CW capability, whereas a State which does not have the technical ability to initiate production does not have CW capability.

May also be used to describe a facility which could readily be modified from a current process to one which could be used for CW production. Such a facility would be said to have a high CW capability.

Chemical Weapons Production Facility (CWPF)

A facility built specifically to produce chemical weapons or to fill such munitions. It could also be used to define a facility sometimes used to produce chemical weapons.

CW Stockpiles

A term used to describe the storage of chemical weapons. The word "stock" can also be used for a quantity of CW.

Data Check/Analysis

Checking/analyzing various collected data or plans for purposes of verification. Different types of data checks/analyses are described under "Required Skills (of an IVO)" (see 3.4.2).

Data Exchange

The exchange of data between two or more groups as required by the Convention. Usually this information is needed for verification purposes.

Data Management

Consists of the collecting, recording and checking/analyzing of information required for purposes of verification. Data management involves the transfer and processing of data between and at a verification site and an IVO headquarters.

Data Reporting

The transfer of information between the State (facility) and the IVO and between various levels in the IVO. It can also refer to reporting to the Executive Council, the Consultative Committee, or the States Parties.