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Conduct of first exercise

6. On arrival at the site on day one of the exercise the inspection team, following initial introductions and explanations to the reception team of the purpose of the inspection, were given a briefing on the work and layout of the facility by the commanding officer. Following this the inspection team were offered — and accepted — a preliminary tour of the facility by minibus. The inspection team then considered and presented their inspection plans. For the remainder of the exercise the inspection team were allowed to inspect any part of the facility and to select at random any cases of ammunition for opening and inspection at the ammunition processing area. The team was able to divide into two when they deemed it necessary to cover more ground in the time available.

Second exercise preparation

- 7. Drawing on the experience of the first practice more extensive preparations were made by the facility for the second exercise. These included the covering of sensitive information displays, the briefing of all staff as to the purpose of the exercise, and the consideration with reception team advisers of their tactics for the inspection.
- 8. Because neither of the facilities selected for the first two practices contained such sensitive stocks as to preclude access to a particular building or visual examination it was decided to introduce "sensitive" areas for exercise play where no access or strictly limited access would be permitted, in order to address the issue of managed access.

Conduct of second exercise

- 9. The inspection team were given an introductory briefing on the facility, and on safety procedures. A written safety brief was given to each inspection team member. In order to protect information about the layout and function of the facility buildings the inspection team were given only a schematic plan of the site.
- 10. The inspection team were offered an introductory tour of the facility together with a suggested itinerary for the inspection. They chose however to first "seal" the site by placing a seal on all the gates, and then took up the offer of an introductory tour of the facility.
- 11. From this point in the inspection the inspection team either together or in two parts selected at random parts of the site they wished to visit, and were able to choose any samples of ammunition for closer examination in the ammunition processing area. They also took samples of soil and checked the location of drainage and other pipes against a "facilities" chart.
- 12. Throughout the inspection the reception team adopted an open approach to questions, but entirely correctly, their replies were confined strictly to what was relevant to satisfy the inspection team that the facility was in compliance with the Chemical Weapons Convention. The inspection team considered that they were able on this basis to obtain the information they needed to carry out their task.