

(Mr. Vejvoda, Czechoslovakia)

As far as the part concerning chemical weapons is concerned, I do not want to get into any argument because this I consider to be a legitimate part of negotiating postures here in this Committee, but, I have to reject accusations by the distinguished delegate from the Federal Republic of Germany concerning the Warsaw Treaty countries in one other respect. He claimed that the Warsaw Treaty countries are constantly increasing their arsenals, including those of chemical weapons. I do not know on which facts he could base this allegation. I know only one thing, that there are, and there have been for 10 years already, negotiations on the limitation of armed forces and armaments in central Europe, in Vienna, and that there, the Warsaw Treaty countries have been waiting for many, many years for a realistic and sensible approach from the NATO countries. In fact, we are waiting still for the substantial answer of NATO countries to our proposals concerning armaments in Europe recently made there by our delegate.

