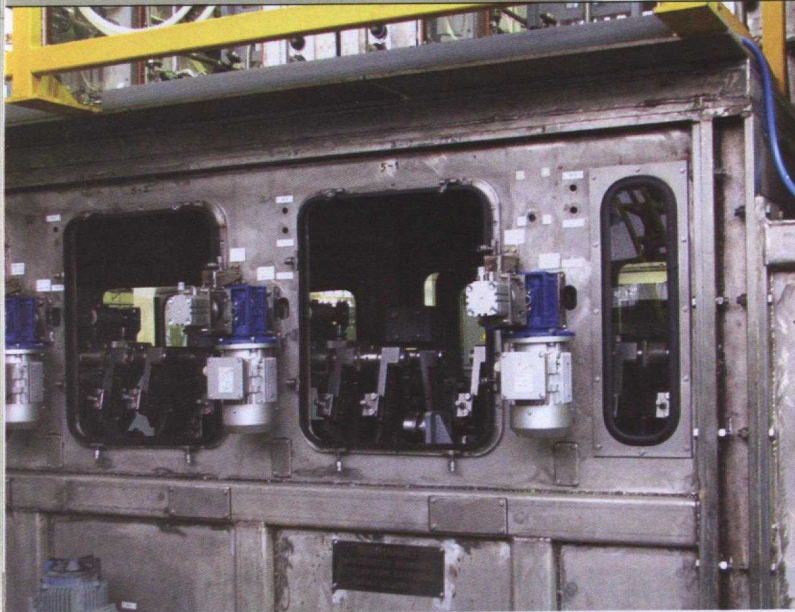


Accomplishments Under the Global Partnership



The chemical weapons demilitarization unit, part of the Canadian-funded destruction process line in Shchuch'ye.

Chemical Weapons Destruction

While Russia is responsible for destroying its 40,000 tonne chemical weapons stockpile, chemical weapons destruction (CWD) was identified as an important element of the Global Partnership in order to help Russia fulfill its obligations under the Chemical Weapons Convention.

Canada is making a key contribution to the Shchuch'ye chemical weapons destruction facility (CWDF) in the Russian Federation to support

the elimination of approximately 1.9 million artillery shells filled with lethal nerve agents. Canada's GPP has contributed over \$100 million to projects at the Shchuch'ye facility and has made a further commitment of \$100 million to provide equipment for the CWDF to be constructed at Kizner.

Progress Made in 2007–2009

Canada provided \$55 million to double the chemical weapons destruction capacity at Shchuch'ye with the supply of key destruction process equipment. All key equipment has been delivered to the site and the facility began operations in March 2009.

Also at Shchuch'ye, Canada provided \$33 million for the construction of an 18-kilometre railway that will enable chemical weapons to be moved securely from their storage depot to the destruction facility. Construction of the railway began in 2006 and was completed in 2008. In addition, the Nuclear Threat Initiative (NTI) provided \$US1 million to Canada to help fund the railway bridge over the Miass River, which was completed in September 2007.