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### National Trial Inspection

#### INTRODUCTION

The present technical report is the outcome of the experiment carried out under the "National Trial Inspection" (NTI) at one of the chemical plants in order to contribute to the success of international efforts aimed at totally eliminating chemical weapons through a comprehensive convention of prohibition of production, stockpiling, development and use of chemical weapons. The inspection was carried out pursuant to document CD/CW/WP.213 of 19 September 1988.

#### GENERAL APPROACH:

##### 1. OBJECTIVES

The purpose of this paper is to identify certain problems encountered during the NTI process and to evaluate different factors relating to such approach in particular:

- To evaluate whether the facility has produced any type of chemicals listed in schedule 2 not included in its declaration or whether it has diverted the produced chemicals to any prohibited purposes;
- To evaluate the cost of such an inspection;
- To determine physical constraints on inspection procedures;
- To evaluate the operational and economic impact of an inspection on a commercial facility;
- To evaluate the preparation needed for an inspection and to evaluate the minimum to fulfil the inspection mandate.

The experts of the Islamic Republic of Iran launched a national trial inspection in late June 1990 to assess the said elements at a facility producing dimethyl dichlorovinyl phosphate (DDVP) for production of household insecticides. The participation in this national trial inspection was also a good opportunity for various departments and organs in the Islamic Republic to get oriented with the Convention.