

as required for the handling or the production of highly toxic substances was found at the inspected site. No special safety precautions regarding highly-toxic substances for the operating personnel were available. No storage facilities for highly toxic chemicals were provided for and there was no equipment found for the disposal of highly toxic waste. The facility moreover is situated within a production complex comprising other production facilities. It was, therefore, concluded that the technical equipment present at the facility would not allow the production of highly toxic chemicals as listed in Schedule 1.

(b) Check of the production records of the facility to verify its use during the period under investigation

In principle, if a facility performs in accordance with the declaration by the company for the period under investigation and thereby makes full use of its capacities, any activity prohibited by the Convention can be excluded.

In order to verify that the products produced during the period under investigation corresponded to the declaration by the company, the log book of the facility and the records of its technical instrumentation were checked.

In spite of the fact that, due to the technical equipment of the facility, any production of highly toxic chemicals as listed in Schedule 1 could be excluded, the inspection team decided to investigate such a possible production by inspecting the production records of the facility. The log book and the recordings of the temperature, pressure and flows at various key points of the production facility were checked. The operating conditions as read from the recordings of the instrumentation of the facility were found to be in full agreement with the requirements of the production processes as declared by the company and as stated in the records of the log book.

It was, therefore, concluded that - during the period of investigation - the production facility was used as declared by the company and no undeclared production had taken place.

(c) Search for traces of Schedule 1 compounds resulting from prior clandestine production

In principle, it seems highly improbable that a facility which falls under a routine inspection scheme (Schedule 2 production) would be used for the production of a Schedule 1 chemical since there would be near certainty of detecting any such production. However, in the case of a modern multi-purpose plant allowing rapid shifts in production chains within the plant, the consideration of some additional aspects for the conduct of the inspection