

Annex II

Consultative Committee of Experts

1. The Consultative Committee of Experts shall be composed of the Depositary or his personal representative, who shall serve as President of the Committee, and representatives of the States Parties. Each State Party to this Convention may appoint one representative to the Committee who may be assisted by one or more advisers.
2. The Consultative Committee of Experts shall be competent to:
 - (a) check the content of declarations made by States Parties [in compliance with Element on "Declarations" to be agreed]
 - (b) oversee the destruction and diversion for permitted purposes of stocks of chemical weapons, as well as the destruction, dismantling and temporary conversion of means of production of chemical weapons [as stipulated in Element I]
 - (c) inquire into facts concerning alleged ambiguities in or violations of the compliance with the Convention;
 - (d) check periodically permitted production of chemicals with respect to amounts produced and their use;
 - (e) facilitate compliance with the Convention, e.g. by developing international standardization of methods and routines to be applied by national and international verification organs;
 - (f) make appropriate findings of fact and provide expert views relevant to other problems raised pursuant to the provisions of the Convention by a State Party.
3. Each representative shall have the right, through the Chairman, to request from States Parties, and from international organizations, such information and assistance as the representative considers desirable for the accomplishment of the Committee's work.
4. The Committee shall be allowed to undertake on-site inspections:
 - (a) in order to confirm received information concerning planned, on-going or effected measures according to subparagraphs 2 (a) and (b) of this Annex;
 - (b) in order to inquire into facts concerning alleged ambiguities or violations according to subparagraph 2 (c) of this Annex;
 - (c) in order to carry out checks according to subparagraph 2 (d) of this Annex.
5. The Committee shall decide procedural questions relative to the organization of its work, where possible by consensus, but otherwise by a majority of those present, and voting. There shall be no voting on matters of substance. If the Committee is unable to provide for a unanimous report on these findings of fact or in giving expert views, it shall present the different views of the experts involved.