

timetable of implementation might have to be agreed to for old chemical weapons discovered after the entry into force. For discoveries of small quantities (in aggregated chemicals) safe transport might have to be organized by the State Party concerned as provided for in paragraph 6, with the knowledge of the International Authority, to another State Party possessing a suitable destruction facility.

5. A State Party which possesses information about old chemical weapons, possibly abandoned anywhere by it, shall communicate such information to the International Authority not later than 30 days after the entry into force of the Convention for it, or the discovery of the information.

6. In the event that, if so confirmed by the International Authority in its review, old chemical weapons were abandoned on a territory, that was under the jurisdiction or under the control of that State when it abandoned the chemical weapons, the discovering State Party shall have the right to request the State Party which has abandoned the chemical weapons to destroy them. The requested State Party shall destroy the abandoned chemical weapons. If the discovering State Party opts not to use this right, it shall destroy the chemical weapons, following the conclusion of the review as referred to in paragraph 4.

7. In the event that the origin of the discovered old chemical weapons cannot be identified, the International Authority shall render assistance, if so requested, to the discovering State Party to destroy them. 1/

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1/ The view has been expressed that the International Authority should not have any implementing role in the destruction of chemical weapons.