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GROUP III CHEMICALS - REGIME III

Group III Chemicals

1. Other lethal chemicals used for permitted purposes but which have also been produced for chemical weapons purposes. Examples: phosgene, hydrogen cyanide.

2. Other harmful chemicals used for permitted purposes, but which have also been produced for chemical weapons purposes. Example: phosgeneoxime.

3. Precursors. Examples: phosphorus oxychloride, phosphorus trichloride.

Régime III

<u>Declarations</u> of Group III chemicals should encompass all the chemicals in chemical weapons stocks as under Régime I as well as stocks for permitted purposes and aggregate annual production of each of the Group III chemicals, stating also their respective end uses. Facilities for production of Group III chemicals should be declared as under Régime I if the production has been for chemical weapons purposes or exceeds certain quantities, stating the aggregate capacity for each compound as well as the locations of the facilities.

Elimination. The elimination of the Group III chemicals in chemical weapon stocks could be carried out through destruction or diversion for permitted purposes. Elimination of facilities having produced these chemicals for chemical weapons purposes shall take place through destruction or dismantling if the total production capacity exceeds what is consistent with production for permitted purposes.

Production. No limitations in amount or place of production is envisaged.

Verification. The verification measures applicable under Régime III would comprise data-reporting on each individual chemical and systematic international on-site inspection.