

Consultant Experts mentioned in its final report cited above). To avoid administrative delays, the investigating team should arrive equipped with the essentials to conduct its scientific investigation and should possess a minimum degree of self-sufficiency for operations in the field. Since it is difficult to imagine such an investigation taking place without a degree of cooperation from the country in which the investigation is occurring, it should be possible to obtain less-specialized equipment and supplies through the local authorities.

The training of experts in specific protective, sampling and analytical techniques is an area of concern that has yet to be addressed in an organized way.

Particular attention will have to be paid to the preparation, packaging, documentation and transportation of samples. A set of samples should be retained and appropriately stored by the investigating team, and later by the international authority, corresponding to the samples shipped to the designated laboratories.

The designated laboratories would report their findings to the investigating team through a contact at the headquarters of the international authority. The investigating team would later convey its final report to the international authority. Records of observations (e.g., log books, questionnaire response sheets, photographic documentation and tape-recordings) and details of analytical results and of procedures followed would all be delivered as supporting material to the international authority. The international authority should provide for the secure storage of samples for a period of time, after which the international authority, and only the international authority, would authorize disposal of the samples and of any superfluous material.