an exact model could be constructed. The data on the number of stockpiles is not available for all potential States Parties, the actual size and composition of stockpiles is still a matter of dispute, the number of production facilities is a matter of conjecture, the complexities of inspection of the civilian industry are not well understood, and the number and nature of challenge inspections an unknown factor. The impact of the other kinds of inspection being discussed will also have to be assessed.

2. The United States of America

(I) Stockpile. There is a great deal of consistent information on the location of these stockpiles, the chemical agents concerned and the munitions involved. The actual size of the stockpile is secret but there is sufficient data in the public arena for a reasonable assessment to be made.

The United States has two nerve agents in storage: VX as a persistent and GB (Sarin) as a non-persistent nerve agent.

There is also a small quantity of Tabun (GA) in one ton containers. Persistent mustard is stored in three formulations:

H, HD and HT, with a small residual supply of Lewisite (L) at Tooele. The following table gives location, agent tonnage as a percentage, and agents stored.