

accommodation) provide services such as office and laboratory space, communication facilities, and medical services).

Challenge Inspection could also place demands of an unexpected nature on a State Party such as the protection of sensitive national security information not related to the nature of the inspection. Hence the organization set up to meet Canadian obligations under the proposed CWC must be able to deal with the above situations.

According to the rolling text (CD/874) a State Party may choose either to establish an independent body or designate an existing body as the National Authority. To determine the best solution for Canada, it is necessary to assess the potential amount of work required to fulfil obligations under the Convention and to examine the responsibilities of existing agencies with respect to the regulation of the chemical industry and the use of chemicals in Canada.

If one notes that Canada does not possess chemical weapons and that any chemical weapons production facilities have long since been destroyed, then one can assess the order of importance and the degree of difficulty of the tasks to be carried out nationally. The following table might result from such an exercise.