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R O M A N I A  
WORKING PAPER  
SUGGESTIONS FOR ELEMENTS OF A CHEMICAL  
WEAPONS CONVENTION  
DEFINITIONS AND CRITERIA

## A. DEFINITIONS

1. Chemical agents are: chemical warfare agents including irritating chemical agents used for riots control, as well as herbicides and defoliants used for military purposes.

2. Chemical warfare agents are: all chemical substances or their combinations, which used in accordance with their toxic properties cause intoxications of human body and animals or bring about the destruction of plants and vegetation and whose physical and chemical characteristics make them appropriate for use as chemical weapons. Chemical warfare agents are: super-toxic lethal chemical agents; other lethal chemical or biochemical agents; harmful agents including incapacitating agents as well as their precursors, including compounds used in binary chemical munitions.

- Super-toxic lethal chemical warfare agents are all agents whose medium lethal dose is equal or less than 0.5 mg/Kg (Kilo-body) (LD - 50) or less than 2,000 mg.min/mc. (LC<sub>t</sub> - 50), measured by a method to be agreed upon by all States Parties to the future Convention.

- Other lethal chemical warfare agents are all agents whose medium lethal dose is between 0.5 - 10 mg/Kg (LD - 50) or between 2,000 - 20,000 mg.min/mc (LC<sub>t</sub> - 50) measured by a method to be agreed upon by all States Parties to the future Convention.

- Harmful chemical agents<sup>x/</sup> including incapacitating agents are all agents whose lethal dose is greater than 10 mg/Kg (LD - 50) or 20,000 mg.min/mc (LC<sub>t</sub> - 50) measured by a method to be agreed upon by all States Parties to the future Convention.

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<sup>x/</sup> Non-lethal chemical agents.