SCHEDULE 3 - Chemicals that can be used for the production of chemical warfare agents, but are produced in large quantities for commercial use. The herbicide, insecticide, pharmaceutical, paints and coatings, textile and lubricants industries are the main users of these chemicals. Transfers of Schedule 3 chemicals to non-States Parties will be subject to end-use certificates and undertakings of non-retransfer.

DOC - The Convention also covers unscheduled discrete organic chemicals (DOCs), including those containing phosphorus, sulfur or fluorine (PSF). These DOCs are produced mainly by the petrochemical, pharmaceutical and pesticide industries in Canada, and are not subject to any trade controls or trade monitoring under the CWC. While scheduled chemicals will be subject to declarations and verification immediately upon Entry into Force, DOCs will only be subject to declaration at the time the Convention enters into force, and related verification activities will not start before the beginning of the fourth year after EIF.

Among the facilities producing DOCs, those that exclusively produce explosives and hydrocarbons have been exempted from declarations. Polymers are also exempted since they are not DOCs. Another agreed exemption is for compounds containing only carbon and a metal - for example, silicon carbide.

HOW WILL THE CWC AFFECT YOUR ORGANIZATION?

As Schedule 1 chemicals have little or no commercial use, it is highly unlikely that any Canadian company will be affected by the measures applying to Schedule 1. Any facility or organization that produces, consumes, processes, imports or exports chemicals listed in Schedule 2, or that produces, imports or exports Schedule 3 chemicals, above the thresholds specified in the Convention will be subject to mandatory declarations and on-site inspections by OPCW international inspectors. Facilities producing DOCs above threshold amounts will be subject to declarations concerning levels of production and could be subjected to random inspection.

The specific thresholds for declaration and verification under the CWC can be seen in Table 1.