allegations on complaints, verification of stockpiles etc. In addition the quantity criterion should apply, so that such incapacitating chemicals, which had also use for permitted purposes, might be subject to different kinds of verification methods. This should allow e.g. tear gases to be covered by the convention, provided that their use for non-hostile purposes such as law-enforcement internally in a country, was allowed, as was pointed out by one delegation.

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A discussion arose on whether all protective activities and equipment had to be accepted for permitted purposes. Some ideas on protective measures as specially useful for offensive purposes were put forward. There was no objection that further investigation should be done with respect to whether the protective measures should in any way be limited or specified under the convention when defining permitted purposes.

Revision by the Co-ordinator of the Contact Group on definitions of paragraphs 6 and 7 of his report in CD/334, Annex pages 4-6

Paragraph 5 (b)

Remove the first comment.

Add after the second comment a new one: "The field utility of chemicals referred to in 6 (b) should also be considered".

Add after the last comment a new one: "It was pointed out that any use of herbicides was already prohibited in war by the Geneva protocol and the Convention against environmental warfare, why a reference to these conventions might be sufficient".

Paragraph 6 (e)

Add a first new comment: "The general purpose criterion should expressly be related to among the criteria for superlethal toxic, other lethal and other harmful chemicals".

Add a new third comment: "- Some delegations suggested to include also very toxic and incapacitating, but not lethal, compounds into the same class of supertoxic lethal chemicals. This could be done by setting the same toxicity limit for there types of compounds as for the supertoxic substance by relating to the 'effective' toxicity, as measured by a scientifically sound method. Under certain circumstances tear gases could be classified in this way."

Remove in the third comment, third line: "and tear gases".

Paragraph 7 (b)

Add: "Comment: Some questioned whether all protective activities and equipment has to be accepted for permitted purposes".