

### III. PRINCIPLES AND METHODS FOR THE VERIFICATION OF THE ELIMINATION OF CHEMICAL WEAPONS

The detailed arrangements for the actual verification of the elimination shall be worked out in collaboration between the State Party and the Consultative Committee (or its subsidiary organs, as appropriate) in accordance with the following principles:

#### A. Principles and methods for the verification of destruction of chemical weapons

The principles summarized in CD/CW/WP.108 are to be further elaborated. They read:

- "- that the aim of the verification procedures should be
  - to confirm the identity and quantity of the materials to be destroyed, and
  - to confirm that the materials have actually and completely been destroyed,
- that a combination of human inspection and monitoring with instruments would be necessary for effective verification, but that the exact combination of instruments and inspectors would have to be tailored after the specific destruction processes to be monitored,
- that inspection would be continuous during periods in which destruction operations are under way for destruction of supertoxic lethal chemicals, draining of filled munitions as well as during destruction of filled and drained munition. As regards other chemicals there were different views on whether inspection should be continuous or on a quota basis or limited to certain key stages,
- that international inspectors would have to be qualified and impartial personnel, and that they should be able to make independent judgements,
- that the inspectors should have an up-to-date knowledge of the design and operation of the destruction facility and that they would need to make a detailed engineering review of the facility, including on-site inspection, before the destruction operations begin,
- that in order to minimize intrusion and ensure confidence, the data used for verification should be as closely linked as possible to the actual destruction step and the verification procedures designed so that they do not unnecessarily interfere with the operations of the facility,