

It is effective because

- it means a high risk for any party intending to violate the convention, and
- it includes binary chemical weapons.

It is necessary because

experience has shown that conventions without reliable verification arrangements (Geneva Protocol of 1925, Bacteriological Weapons Convention of 1972) are unsatisfactory, since existing doubts and accusations cannot be clarified. This impairs mutual trust and hence the conditions for further progress in international efforts for disarmament and arms control.