

ARTICLE IV

CHEMICAL WEAPONS

1. The provisions of this Article shall apply to any and all chemical weapons owned or possessed by a State Party anywhere and to any other chemical weapons that are located in any place under its jurisdiction or control, hereinafter referred to in this Article as "declared chemical weapons".
2. Detailed procedures for the implementation of this Article hereinafter referred to in this Article as "agreed procedures" are set out in the Verification Annex.
3. All locations at which declared chemical weapons are stored or destroyed shall be subject to systematic international on-site verification through on-site inspection and monitoring with on-site instruments, in accordance with the provisions of this Article and the agreed procedures. Plans and information submitted by each State Party under this Article shall also be made in accordance with agreed procedures.
4. Each State Party shall, immediately after the declaration under Article III subparagraph 1 (a) of this Convention, provide access to declared chemical weapons for the purpose of systematic international on-site verification of the declaration through on-site inspection. Thereafter, each State Party shall not remove declared chemical weapons, except to a chemical weapons destruction facility. It shall provide access to such chemical weapons, for the purpose of systematic international on-site verification.
5. Each State Party shall provide access to any chemical weapons destruction facilities and their storage areas that it owns or possesses and to any other chemical weapons destruction facilities and their storage areas that are located in any place under its jurisdiction or control, for the purpose of systematic on-site verification.
6. Each State Party shall submit detailed plans for the destruction of declared chemical weapons no later than 180 days before each annual destruction period begins in accordance with agreed procedures.
7. Each State Party shall:
 - (a) Destroy all declared chemical weapons, as set out in agreed procedures and in accordance with the agreed rate and sequence of destruction based on the principle of levelling out. Such destruction shall begin not later than one year after the Convention enters into force for a State Party and shall finish not later than 10 years after entry into force of the Convention. A State Party is not precluded from destroying such chemical weapons at a faster rate;
 - (b) Provide information annually regarding the implementation of its plans for destruction of declared chemical weapons; and
 - (c) Certify, not later than 30 days after the destruction process has been completed, that all declared chemical weapons have been destroyed.