

ANNEX TO ARTICLE VI [...] 1/

Production of super-toxic lethal chemicals not listed in Schedule [1]

The provisions of this Annex cover:

- chemicals with an LD₅₀ equal to or less than 0.5 mg per kg bodyweight 2/ or an LCt₅₀ equal to or less than 2,000 mg-min/m³;
- facilities which:
 - (a) produce or process more than [10] [100] [1,000] kg 3/ per annum 4/ of any such chemical; 5/
 - [(b) have a production capacity 6/ for any such chemical exceeding 1,000 kg 7/ per annum 8/].

1/ Some delegations consider that the chemicals in this Annex should be dealt with in the Annex to Article VI [2] Schedule [2]. Other delegations consider that a separate Annex [4] is required.

2/ It is understood that further discussion is needed with regard to chemicals with a somewhat lower toxicity. In this context various ideas were put forward, i.a.:

- that chemicals falling within a deviation-range of 10-20 per cent could be considered;
- that chemicals with an LD₅₀ close to 0.5 mg/kg bodyweight could be included as exceptions;
- that the modalities for revisions of lists could be made use of to take care of possible concerns in this regard.

3/ Some delegations felt that the thresholds for production and production capacity should correspond to militarily significant quantities.

4/ The question of production or processing not occurring annually requires further discussion.

5/ Some delegations expressed the view that additional criteria of suitability for chemical weapons purposes should be added.

6/ How to define production capacity remains to be agreed upon. In this context reference was made to the proposal contained in CD/CW/WP.171, as well as the report contained in Appendix II to this document.

7/ It is understood that the quantitative value of the threshold for production capacity remains to be discussed.

8/ One delegation expressed the view that the question of production capacities should be considered in accordance with the relevant provisions in the Annex to Article VI, Schedules [2] and [3] (cf. CD/CW/WP.167, pp. 62, 68).