

notification of any planned changes to these declarations. The main aim of the verification activities will be to confirm the declarations made on the production of schedule 1 chemicals and the aggregate amount in stock. The monitoring of SSSFs will involve on-site inspection and likely on-site instruments. Each facility will be subject to an initial visit intended to verify its capacity, to develop procedures for subsequent visits and the installation of instruments, and to develop a facility agreement.

From a planning perspective one has to estimate how many such facilities might exist, how long the initial inspections might take, and the approximate duration of the annual inspections. In principle, such inspections could last for the lifetime of the CWC. If one assumes that all NATO and WTO countries have an SSSF, this gives a total of 23, although there might be fewer, and one might speculate that there could be 20 other such facilities worldwide. This means that one would have to plan on 43 facilities. Initial inspections could last for a week and require from three to five inspectors. There may then be a requirement to install instruments at these facilities as soon as practicable thereafter but preferably within the first year. The installation processes are also likely to take a week at each site but likely employ technical assistants under the supervision of one inspector. Thereafter the annual inspections are unlikely to require more than two days per SSSF per annum; instrument maintenance may cause additional inspection needs. In