

DECISION**PROCEDURES FOR THE CLOSURE/INACTIVATION OF CWPF****The Conference**

Recalling that the Commission, in its PC-V/12, subparagraph 6.2(a), adopted the understanding that the set of procedures identified as being necessary for the closure/inactivation of CWPFs in the context of their subsequent destruction or, pending a final decision, their temporary conversion to chemical weapons destruction facilities or possible conversion for purposes not prohibited by the Convention, should apply in all of the above three cases,

Bearing in mind that the Commission recommended in paragraph 49.3.5 of its Final Report that the Conference adopt the above mentioned procedures and understanding,

Hereby:

1. **Adopts** the procedures necessary for the closure/inactivation of CWPFs in the context of their subsequent destruction or, pending a final decision, their temporary conversion to chemical weapons destruction facilities or possible conversion for purposes not prohibited by the Convention, annexed hereto, as well as the understanding that the above mentioned procedures should apply in all of the three cases.

Annex

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Chart 1	GUIDELINES FOR CLOSURE/INACTIVATION OF CWPFs	
Requirements under paragraph 13 of Part V	Illustrative examples of minimum closure activities	Recommended additional measures to reduce the risk of the facility
<p>13 (a) Prohibition of the occupation of specialised buildings and standard buildings of the facility except for agreed activities.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>(a) Disconnect, seal off and shutdown utility connections except for agreed activities as appropriate;</p> <p>(b) Seal all doors except those required to undertake agreed activities. Establish control and logging procedures for all unsealed doors.</p>	<p>(i) Disconnect, seal off and shut down all utility connections (except for safety and environmental purposes)</p>

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<p>13 (b) Disconnection of equipment directly related to the production of chemical weapons, <u>inter alia</u>, process control equipment and utilities</p>	<p>(a) Disconnect all utility connections to specialised equipment;</p> <p>(b) Disconnect and seal off all inlets and outlets connected to specialised equipment;</p> <p>(c) Disconnect, seal off and shutdown all utilities connections to standard equipment;</p> <p>(d) Disconnect and seal off all inlets and outlets connected to standard equipment;</p> <p>(e) Disconnect control circuits to any power operated valves and sensors to measure technological parameters.</p> <p>(f) Use physical and tamper resistant seals</p>	<p>(i) Remove all specialised equipment from production area, store in a declared secure location; ¹</p> <p>(ii) Remove all connecting piping from standard equipment</p>
<p>13(c) Decommissioning of protective installations and equipment used exclusively for the safety of operations of the CWPF.</p>	<p>(a) Render inoperable specialised features of the building unless required for safety during destruction/conversion of the facility.</p>	<p>(i) Remove some or all of the specialised features of the building unless required for safety during destruction of the facility. Store in a secure location.</p>

¹ The Delegation of the Islamic Republic of Iran made a reservation on the issue of a declared secure location. In its view "secure location" should be defined in order to minimise the misuse of dismantled specialised equipment between EIF and the initial inspection by the Technical Secretariat.

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<p>13 (d) Installation of blind flanges and other devices to prevent the addition of chemicals to, or the removal of chemicals from, any specialised process equipment for synthesis, separation or purification of chemicals defined as a chemical weapon, any storage tank, or any machine for filling chemical weapons, the heating, cooling, or supply of electrical or other forms of power to such equipment, storage tanks, or machines</p>	<p>(a) Drain and undertake primary decontamination of CW process equipment and filling machines. Insert blind flanges.</p> <p>(b) Drain heating and cooling liquids and insert blind flanges.</p> <p>(c) Empty storage tanks and cylinders, e.g. liquid, compressed air or gases exclusively used for the production of chemical weapons and insert blind flanges.</p> <p>(d) Disconnect, seal off and shut down external water, electric, sewage, steam and piped natural gas connections, etc. to the extent that this will not preclude agreed activities from being undertaken.</p>	

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<p>13 (e) Interruption of rail, road and other access routes for heavy transport to the chemical weapons production facility except those required for agreed activities</p>	<p>(a) Disconnect and seal off material pipelines leading from facility except those required for disposal or destruction of waste;</p> <p>(b) Interrupt rail, road and other heavy transport access routes except as required for agreed activities;</p> <p>(c) Render pipeline connections to facility inactive (e.g., using seals and blind flanges);</p> <p>(d) disconnect swing-lines or pipe bridges except as required for agreed activities</p> <p>(e) Adjust security measures to that appropriate with a closed/inactivated CWPF.</p>	<p>(i) Disconnect, dismantle and seal off material pipelines from facility except as required for destruction/conversion; (See paragraph 8 of Chairman's paper);</p> <p>(ii) Dismantle rail, road and other heavy transport access routes except as required for agreed activities.</p>