

**Ninth Review Conference of the States Parties
to the Convention on the Prohibition of the
Development, Production and Stockpiling
of Bacteriological (Biological) and
Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction**

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**Proposals made to the Committee of the Whole (as at 15.00, 3
December 2022)**

Addendum

The following text should be inserted into the Article III section of Part I of the present document:

Japan

The Conference stressed that the existing export control regime plays significant roles in assisting States Parties to implement the obligations under Article III of the Convention and United Nations Security Council Resolution 1540.

The following text should be inserted into the Article IV section of Part I of the present document:

China

14. bis The conference decides to:

(a) endorse the Tianjin Biosecurity Guidelines for Codes of Conduct for Scientists;

(b) encourage all stakeholders to voluntarily incorporate elements from the Tianjin Biosecurity Guidelines for Codes of Conduct for Scientists in their practices, protocols, and regulations, and to disseminate the Guidelines, as appropriate, to promote responsible science.

The following text should be inserted into the Article IV section of Part I of the present document:

Japan

The Conference recognises that education on biosafety and biosecurity to promote awareness among relevant professionals in the private and public sectors contributes to strengthening the implementation of the obligations under Article IV.

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Kenya and Panama

13.(e) bis To create opportunities for young people to pursue careers in life sciences, biosecurity and biosafety, science diplomacy and in other fields relevant to the Convention in order to maximize the benefits of scientific discoveries for the prevention of diseases and epidemics, the achievement of sustainable development and other peaceful purposes.

14 bis Work cooperatively with private sector partners, relevant international organizations, nongovernmental organizations, academia, and the scientific community, including youth-driven networks and organizations, to achieve the objective of strengthened laboratory biosafety and laboratory biosecurity; and



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Norway

14. In this context, the Conference welcomes efforts by States Parties, international, regional and subregional organisations as well as non-governmental stakeholders, to develop model legislation and guidance on national implementation, which can assist States Parties in implementing the obligations of the Convention.

The following text should be inserted into Part II of the present document:

Brazil and Argentina

In order to concretely address the threat of hostile use of biological agents and toxins against agriculture, livestock and biodiversity, the BWC States Parties decide on the creation of the BWC One Health Surveillance Network, with the mandate of fostering direct cooperation among governmental institutions for the surveillance, prevention, preparedness, response and assistance in this matter.

The BWC One Health Surveillance Network aims to be a mechanism encompassing animal, plant and environmental surveillance services, security and law enforcement agencies, laboratories, and other governmental institutions of BWC States Parties, for direct dialogue, joint-projects for capacity-building, exchange of best practices, and mutual support on assistance and response to emergencies involving biological incidents against agriculture, livestock and biodiversity. The BWC One Health Surveillance Network will be guided by a Steering Committee, integrated by rotating positions among the governmental institutions nominated by States Parties. The network shall have no budgetary implications to the BWC States Parties. The eventual costs associated to its voluntary activities shall be at the expense of the proposing State(s) Party(ies) and its(their) nominated institutions.

The Steering Committee will report on and receive guidance from the annual Meeting of States Parties of the BWC, the BWC Review Conferences and other relevant meetings of States Parties.

States Parties are called to voluntarily nominate, preferably before 30 April 2023, up to three national institutions to integrate the BWC One Health Surveillance Network, among their animal, plant and environmental surveillance services, security and law enforcement agencies, laboratories, and other governmental institutions that work on the protection of agriculture, livestock and biodiversity against biological threats

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Russian Federation

In order to foster confidence among States Parties the Conference decides to introduce a new confidence-building measures form entitled «Military biomedical activity conducted by a reporting State on the territory of other States» as contained in Annex 1 and to supplement Form G «Declaration of vaccine production facilities» with part II on vaccine production facilities for the protection of animals as contained in Annex 2.