

**MEETING 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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**PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME OF WORK FOR THE
MEETING OF STATES PARTIES**

Monday, 10 November 2003

Opening Session (Public)

10:00

Agenda Item 1: Opening of Meeting

Agenda Item 2: Adoption of Agenda

Agenda Item 3: Adoption of Programme of Work

Substantive Work (Working Sessions)

Agenda Item 4: General debate/discussion

Working Session 1

15:00 General debate and discussion

17:45 Collation

Tuesday, 11 November 2003

Agenda Item 5: Discussion of necessary national measures to implement the prohibitions set forth in the Convention, including the enactment of penal legislation (topic i)

Working Session 2

10:00 Incorporation of the prohibitions contained in Article I of the Convention, including the enactment of penal legislation

Working Session 3

15:00 Licensing

17:45 Collation

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Wednesday, 12 November 2003

Agenda Item 5: Discussion of necessary national measures to implement the prohibitions set forth in the Convention, including the enactment of penal legislation ("topic i")

Working Session 4

10:00 Enforcement

15:00 (reserved for informal consultations)

17:45 Collation

Thursday, 13 November 2003

Agenda Item 6: Discussion of national mechanisms to establish and maintain the security and oversight of pathogenic microorganisms and toxins ("topic ii")

Working Session 5

10:00 Biosecurity evaluation and implementation of biosecurity procedures

Working Session 6

15:00 Identification and licensing/registration

Consideration of efforts by relevant international bodies

17:30 Discussion of draft report

17:45 Collation

Friday, 14 November 2003

Working Session 7

10:00 Discussion of draft report

Agenda Item 7: Arrangements for the Meeting of Experts and Meeting of States Parties in 2004

Closing Session (Public)

15:00 *Agenda Item 8:* Adoption of Report

Agenda Item 9: Closing of Meeting
