

## SCHEDULE 1

### PROVISIONS OF THE CHEMICAL WEAPONS ACT 1996 AS EXCEPTED, ADAPTED AND MODIFIED AND EXTENDED TO THE TERRITORIES LISTED IN SCHEDULE 3

#### *Inspections under Convention*

#### **Offences in connection with inspections**

**26.**—(1) If an authorisation has been issued under section 25 in respect of any inspection, a person is guilty of an offence if he—

- (a) refuses without reasonable excuse to comply with any request made by a police officer or a member of the in-country escort for the purpose of facilitating the conduct of that inspection in accordance with the verification annex,
- (b) interferes without reasonable excuse with any container, instrument or other object installed in the course of that inspection in accordance with the verification annex, or
- (c) wilfully obstructs any member of the inspection team or of the in-country escort, or the observer, in the conduct of that inspection in accordance with the verification annex.

(2) Subsection (1)(b) applies to interference which occurs at any time while the container, instrument or other object is retained in accordance with the verification annex.

(3) A person guilty of an offence under this section is liable—

- (a) on summary conviction, to a fine not exceeding £5,000 or its equivalent;
- (b) on conviction on indictment, to a fine.