SECOND REVIEW CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES TO THE CONVENTION ON THE PROHIBITION OF THE DEVELOPMENT, PRODUCTION AND STOCKPILING OF BACTERIOLOGICAL (BIOLOGICAL) AND TOXIN WEAPONS AND ON THEIR DESTRUCTION

(Geneva, 8-26 September 1986)

SUMMARY RECORDS OF THE 1st TO 10th MEETINGS

held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva,
from 8 to 26 September 1986

Corrigendum

The present document contains the corrections received from delegations and from the Secretariat applying to the English text of the summary records of the meetings of the Second Review Conference of the Parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and Their Destruction (BWC/CONF.II/SR.1-10).

With the issuance of this corrigendum, the summary records of the above-mentioned meetings are to be considered as final.
1st meeting

Cover page

In the contents, after "Opening of the Conference by the Chairman of the Preparatory Committee", insert "Submission of the final report of the Preparatory Committee", which follows "Adoption of the Agenda".

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Immediately above paragraph 1 insert "SUBMISSION OF THE FINAL REPORT OF THE PREPARATORY COMMITTEE (item 4 of the provisional agenda)".

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Immediately above paragraph 18 delete "SUBMISSION OF THE FINAL REPORT OF THE PREPARATORY COMMITTEE (agenda item 4)".

Paragraph 22

In the third sentence, delete "Louise" and insert "Luisa".

3rd meeting

Paragraph 21

Replace "in that country" by "in Sverdlovsk".

Paragraph 22

In the second sentence, after "in 1984" insert "by U.S. Vice President Bush".

Paragraph 23

After "to facilitate the" insert "fullest possible".

Paragraph 24

In the last sentence, after "provisions" delete the full stop and add "so that full compliance with the Convention would lead to the realization of its important purposes."

Paragraph 25

The name of the speaker should read "Mr. von STUFENAGEL".

6th meeting

Cover page

Under agenda item "Review of the operation of the Convention as provided for in its article XII", delete "(b) Articles I-XV" and "(c) Preambular paragraphs and purposes of the Convention".
Paragraph 43

The name of the speaker should read "Mr. KOTCHUBEY".

7th meeting

Paragraph 66

The name of the speaker should read "Mr. Ter HOPST".

8th meeting

Paragraph 17

After the first sentence, replace the remainder of the paragraph by the following:

It was important to protect the paramount legal achievement represented by this convention, by being clearly aware of the decisive nature of the question of respect of its basic interdictions and the question of confidence in this regard. That confidence was indispensable. If it was found to be eroded, that had to be put right. It was obvious that allegations of violation which had been left without a conclusive answer had a negative effect on confidence. It was important to ensure that, should that kind of situation recur in the future, effective measures would be taken so as to avoid prolonged uncertainty with regard to compliance with the basic commitments. Whether recent developments in biology had made bacteriological weapons less hypothetical than it had appeared 14 years ago was a question which had to be examined carefully. The practical requirements of confidence also had to be related to the interests of security.

Paragraph 18

In the first sentence, delete the words "In that context," and begin the sentence with "The Conference ...".

In the third sentence, insert "disarmament" between "dependable" and "agreements".

Delete the last sentence and replace by the following text:

Above all, his delegation hoped that the negotiations on banning chemical weapons taking place at Geneva in the framework of the Conference on Disarmament would lead in the near future to a new international instrument embodying an effective verification system, which might have positive implications for the future of the present convention, particularly because of the link established between chemical and bacteriological arms by the Geneva Protocol of 1925, which prohibited their use.

Paragraph 19

Replace the paragraph by the following text:
Despite the importance of verification, however, it should not be forgotten that whatever the imperfections revealed by experience in the modalities agreed upon at the conclusion of the current convention, effective renunciation of bacteriological weapons was and continued to be fully required from all States parties. The rule had to be upheld categorically, whatever the system of verification in force.

Paragraph 20

In the fourth sentence, delete "had fully observed" and insert "continued to fully observe".

Paragraph 39

The name of the speaker should read "Mr. NGO EAC TEAM".

Paragraph 43

The name of the speaker should read "Mr. KAZEMI KAMYAB".

Paragraphs 54 and 56

The name of the speaker should read "Mr. SHAFTII".

10th meeting

Paragraph 5

The name of the speaker should read "Mr. NGO EAC TEAM".

Paragraph 22

The name of the speaker should read "Mr. FAN Guoxiang".

Paragraph 27

The name of the speaker should read "Mr. SHAFTII".