

## **Nigeria**

The draft legislation for the Biological Weapons Convention is being processed. Meanwhile, existing laws of the Federation are being reviewed to bring them in line with the provisions of both the Chemical and Biological Weapons Conventions.

Nigeria has established an Inter-Ministerial Council for the full implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction as well as the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction. Nigeria has completed a national register on chemical materials imported, produced or consumed in the country and is vigorously pursuing the establishment of a chemical reference laboratory where chemical samples will be tested.

Nigeria has established Joint Border Patrol activities with neighbouring States for the purpose of preventing, or detecting, any cross-border transfer of illicit weapons. This collaboration has continued to prove very useful in monitoring illegal activities at the borders relating to weapons.

Nigeria has been consistent in promoting dialogue and cooperation on non-proliferation as a means of addressing the threat posed by proliferation of nuclear, chemical and biological weapons, and their means of delivery.