CZECH REPUBLIC

(12 April 2006)

The Permanent Mission of the Czech Republic to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Under-Secretary-General for Disarmament Affairs, and with the reference to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and Their Destruction, has the honor to provide information and data for year 2005.

The Permanent Mission of the Czech Republic to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Under-Secretary-General for Disarmament Affairs, the assurances of its highest consideration.

<u>Declaration form on Nothing to Declare or Nothing New to Declare for use in the information exchange</u>

Measure	Nothing to declare	Nothing new to declare
A, part 1		
A, part 2(i)		
A, part 2(ii)		X
A, part 2(iii)		Х
B (i)		
B(ii)	X	
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Date:	March 29,	
State Party to the Convention	Czech Rej	oublic

Form A, part 1

Exchange of data on research centres and laboratories 1)

1. Name(s) of facility²⁾

Collection of Animal Pathogenic Microorganisms

2. Responsible public or private organization or company

Veterinary Research Institute

3. Location and postal address

Hudcova 70 621 32 Brno

4. Source(s) of financing of the reported activity, including indication if the activity is wholly or partly financed by the Ministry of Defence

Ministry of Agriculture

5. Number of maximum containment units³⁾ within the research centre and/or laboratory, with an indication of their respective size (m²)

0

6. If no maximum containment unit, indicate highest level of protection

BL 3 (app. 100 m^2)

7. Scope and general description of activities, including type(s) of micro-organisms and/or toxins as appropriate

Research activities on aetiology, pathogenesis, diagnosis and epizootology of veterinary infectious diseases. Cultivation of zoopathogenic microbes and viruses used for veterinary research, detection of pathogenic diseases and their treatment.

¹⁾ The containment units which are fixed patient treatment modules, integrated with laboratories, should be identified separately.

²⁾ For facilities with maximum containment units participating in the national biological defence research and development programme, please fill in name of facility and mark "Declared in accordance with Form A, part 2 (iii)".

³⁾ In accordance with the 1983 WHO Laboratory Biosafety Manual or equivalent.

Form A, part 2 (i)

National biological defence research and development programme

Declaration

Is there a national programme to conduct biological defense research and development within the territory of the State Party, under its jurisdiction or control anywhere? Activities of such a programme would include prophylaxis, studies on pathogenicity and virulence, diagnostic techniques, aerobiology, detection, treatment, toxinology, physical protection, decontamination and other related research.

No

If the answer is Yes, complete Form A, part 2 (ii) which will provide a description of the programme.

Form A, part 1

Exchange of data on research centres and laboratories 1)

1. Name(s) of facility²⁾

Institute of Infectious Diseases and Epizootology

2. Responsible public or private organization or company

University of Veterinary and Pharmaceutical

Sciences

3. Location and postal address

Palackého 1/3 621 42 Brno

4. Source(s) of financing of the reported activity, including indication if the activity is wholly or partly financed by the Ministry of Defence

Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports

5. Number of maximum containment units³⁾ within the research centre and/or laboratory, with an indication of their respective size (m²)

0

6. If no maximum containment unit, indicate highest level of protection

BL 3 (app. 40 m^2)

7. Scope and general description of activities, including type(s) of micro-organisms and/or toxins as appropriate

Laboratory provides research and educational activities, diagnostic services using Chlamydophila psitacii, Avian influenza viruses and Newcastle disease virus.

⁴⁾ The containment units which are fixed patient treatment modules, integrated with laboratories, should be identified separately.

⁵⁾ For facilities with maximum containment units participating in the national biological defence research and development programme, please fill in name of facility and mark "Declared in accordance with Form A, part 2 (iii)"

⁶⁾ In accordance with the 1983 WHO Laboratory Biosafety Manual or equivalent.

Form A, part 2 (i)

National biological defence research and development programme

Declaration

Is there a national programme to conduct biological defense research and development within the territory of the State Party, under its jurisdiction or control anywhere? Activities of such a programme would include prophylaxis, studies on pathogenicity and virulence, diagnostic techniques, aerobiology, detection, treatment, toxinology, physical protection, decontamination and other related research.

No

If the answer is Yes, complete Form A, part 2 (ii) which will provide a description of the programme.

Form B (i)

Background information on outbreaks of reportable infectious diseases

		Number of cases per year					
Disease	-	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	
Salmonelosis		2.629	2.256	1.822	1.788	1.034	
Shigelosis		62	91	152	61	78	
Viral Hepatitis A		125	30	26	0	163	
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Encouragement of publication of results and promotion of use of knowledge

List of the most important publication which appeared during the year 2005:

Sýkorová, S.; Matějová, E.; Berová, M.: Monitoring of Fusarium mycotoxins in samples of wheat, barley and rye (2000 - 2003). Mlynářská ročenka, Svaz průmyslových mlýnů, 2005.

Sýkorová, S.; Matějová, E.; Chrpová, J.; Šíp, V.; Hýsek, J.; Sychrová, E.: Research about deoxynivalenol contains and incidence of pathogens in cereals. Úroda č. 5/2005, Profi Press, Praha 2005.

Sýkorová, S.; Matějová, E.; Bradová, J.: Monitoring of Fusarium mycotoxins in cereals in the Czech Republic ČR (2000 - 2004). Sborník "Cudzorodé látky", Bratislava 2005.

Machová, J.; Honíčková, J.; Sedlák, K.: Higly pathogenic avian influenza – bird flu. Veterinářství č. 3/2005, Strategie, Praha 2005.

Pilousová, L.; Matiasovičová, J.; Šišák, F.; Havlíčková, H.; Rychlík, I.: Retron reverse transcriptase (rrtT) can be lost in multidrug resistant Salmonella enterica serovar Typhimurium DT 104 strains and influences virulence for mice. Veterinary microbiology Vol. 111, Iss. 3 – 4, The Netherlands.

Smetana, J.; Smetana, R.; Vacková, M.; Pek, M.; Chlíbek, R.: Prevention of the development and importation of infections in members of the Army of the Czech Republic participating in foreign missions. Epidemiologie, mikrobiologie, imunologie - časopis Společnosti pro epidemiologii a mikrobiologii České lékařské společnosti J.E. Purkyně č. 8/2005.

Patočka, J.; Špliňo, M.; Merka, V.: Botulism and bioterrorism: How serious is this problem? Acta medica (Hradec Kralove)/Universitas Carolina, Facultas Medica Hradec Králové č. 48/2005.

Matouch, O.; Vitásek, J.: Ellimination of Rabies in the Czech republic by Oral Vaccination of Foxes. Rabies Bull. Europe 29, No. 1, pp. 10-15, 2005.

Matouch, O.; Vitásek, J.; Semerád, Z.; Malena, M.: Rabies Ellimination in the Czech Republic. Bulletin OIE, No. 3, pp 63-64, 2005.

Form D

Active promotion of contacts

Planed international conferences, symposia, seminars and other similar forums for exchange

For each such event, the following information should be provided:

a) name of the conference, etc.

- arranging organization(s), etc.

- time

- place

- main subject(s) for the conference, etc.

- conditions for participation

 point of contact for further information, registration, etc.

b) name of the conference, etc.

- arranging organization(s), etc.

- time

- place

- main subject(s) for the conference, etc.

- conditions for participation

 point of contact for further information, registration, etc.

c) name of the conference, etc.

arranging organization(s), etc.

- time

- place

- main subject(s) for the conference, etc.

 point of contact for further information, registration, etc. Host-pathogen interaction 2006

IMP, Hradec Králové

May 2 - 5, 2006

Hradec Králové

host response to the pathogenic

microorganisms

open registration, conference fee

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X. Czech-Slovak Congress on

Infectious Diseases

Czech Medical Society of J. E. Purkyne, Slovak Infectology Society

May 31 - June 2, 2006

Brno

Zoonosis, persistent infections,

tropical medicine

www.ta-service.cz

XV. Conference of Young Microbiologists - Tomášek Days

Masaryk University in Brno, Faculty of Medicine

June 6 - 7,2006

Brno

microbiology

tomdny@fnusa.cz

Form E

Declaration of legislation, regulations and other measures

Relating to		Legislation	Regulation	Other measures	Amended since last year
(a)	Development, production				
	stockpiling, acquisition			•	
	or retention of microbial				
	or other microbiological agents,				
	or toxins, weapons, equipment				
	and means of delivery				•
	specified in Article	YES/	YES/	NO	/NO
(b)	Exports of micro-organisms*				
	and toxins	YES/	YES/	NO	MO
(c)	Imports of micro-organisms*				
	and toxins	YES/	YES/	NO	NO

^{*} Micro-organisms pathogenic to man, animals and plants in accordance with the Convention