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**WORKING PAPER BY THE FRIEND OF THE CHAIR ON
DEFINITIONS AND OBJECTIVE CRITERIA**

This paper is without prejudice to the positions of delegations on the issues under consideration in the Ad hoc Group and does not imply agreement on the scope or content of the paper.

Definition of terms

There was a general understanding that definition of terms was needed for some terms, particularly technical terms, in connection with specific measures. Some terms which were proposed in the Group to be defined were as follows:

1. Genetic modification or manipulation
2. Military medical programme
3. Biological defence programme
4. Biological defence facility
5. Diagnostic facility
6. Military related biodefence programme
7. BL3
8. Work with biological agents and toxins
9. Vaccine
10. Production capability
11. Facility
12. Site

It was also understood that some priority should be given to definition of the following terms:

1. Genetic modification or manipulation
 2. Biological defence programme
 3. Biological defence facility
 4. Vaccine
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