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- has continued to produce chemical and biological agents;
- has military plans for the use of chemical and biological weapons, some of which could be ready within 45 minutes of an order to use them. Saddam and his son Qusay have the political authority to authorise the use of these weapons;
- has developed mobile laboratories for military use, corroborating earlier reports about the mobile production of biological warfare agents;
- has assembled specialists to work on its nuclear programme;
- has pursued illegal programmes to procure controlled materials of potential use in the production of chemical and biological weapons programmes;
- has sought significant quantities of uranium from Africa, despite having no civil nuclear programme that could require it;
- is covertly trying to acquire technology and materials which could be used in the production of nuclear weapons, including specialised aluminium controlled because of its potential use in enriching uranium;
- has retained up to 20 Al Hussein missiles, capable of carrying chemical or biological warheads;
- is deploying its Al-Samoud liquid propellant missile, and has used the absence of weapons inspectors to work on extending its range beyond the limit of 150km imposed by the United Nations;
- is producing the solid-propellant missile Ababil-100, and is making efforts to extend its range;
- has constructed a new engine test stand for missiles capable of threatening Israel and all Iraq's Gulf neighbours as well as the UK Sovereign Bases in Cyprus and NATO members (Greece and Turkey);
- has pursued illegal programmes to procure materials for use in its illegal development of long range missiles;
- has begun dispersing its most sensitive weapons, equipment and material.

4. These judgements have been endorsed by the Joint Intelligence Committee (JIC). More details on the judgements, and on the development of the JIC's assessments since 1998, are set out later in this paper.

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