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This book contains official documents and other texts relating to the biological weapons regime, including:

- official BWC documents (such as the Final Documents from the previous five Review Conferences);
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- supporting material from various non-governmental organisations (NGOs).

It will also be a useful resource for researchers, non-governmental organisations, journalists and others in civil society with an interest in the biological weapons regime embodied in the BWC.

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