

6. In the course of the pre-inspection briefing, the State Party receiving the inspection may indicate to the inspection team the equipment, documentation or areas it considers sensitive and not related to the purpose of the inspection. The Inspectors shall consider the proposals made to the extent they deem them adequate for the conduct of their mission.

7. The Inspectors shall have the [unimpeded] access to the site they deem necessary for the conduct of their mission.

8. In carrying out the inspection in accordance with the request, the inspection team shall use only those methods necessary to provide sufficient relevant facts to clarify doubts about compliance with the provisions of the Convention, and shall refrain from activities not relevant thereto. It shall collect and document such evidence as is related to the compliance with the Convention by the State Party receiving the inspection but shall neither seek nor document information which is clearly not related thereto, unless the State Party receiving the inspection expressly requests it to do so. Any material collected and subsequently found not to be relevant shall not be retained. 1/

9. The inspection team shall be guided by the principle of conducting the inspection in the least intrusive manner possible, consistent with the effective and timely accomplishment of its mission. 2/ It shall, to the extent it deems them appropriate, take into consideration and adopt proposals which may be made by the State Party receiving the inspection, at whatever stage of the inspection, to ensure that sensitive equipment or information, not related to chemical weapons, is protected.

10. Challenge inspections shall not last longer than ...

11. Within ... days after the inspection the report by the Inspectors shall be submitted to the Head of the Technical Secretariat. He shall promptly transmit the report to the requesting State, the requested State and to the Executive Council.

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1/ It has been pointed out that the operational meaning of this paragraph would be largely contingent on the specificity of the request, which needs to be considered in the context of paragraph 4, p. 143.

2/ Possible standardization of procedures to facilitate the implementation, inter alia, of this principle may be considered in the context of a manual for Inspectors to be elaborated by the Technical Secretariat.