

General shall promptly transmit the final report of the inspection team to the requesting State Party, to the inspected State Party, to the Executive Council and to all other States Parties. The Director General shall further transmit promptly to the Executive council the assessment(s) of the requesting and of the inspected States Parties, as well as the view(s) of other States Parties which may be conveyed to the Director General for that purpose, and then provide them to all States Parties.

17. (a) The Executive Council shall ~~in accordance with its powers and functions~~, review the final report of the inspection team as soon as it is presented, and ~~deal appropriately with~~ **decide on:**

- (i) ~~The concern regarding compliance as expressed in the inspection request~~ **whether any non-compliance with the Convention has occurred;**
- (ii) ~~The question of whether~~ **whether** the request had been within the scope of this Convention;
- (iii) ~~The question of whether~~ **whether** the right to request a challenge inspection had been abused.

(b) If the Executive Council ~~considers~~ **decides**, ~~in keeping with its powers and functions~~, further action to be necessary **with regard to (i) (ii) and (iii) above**, it shall take the appropriate measures to redress the situation and to ensure compliance with this Convention, including specific proposals to the Conference. **In case of abuse, the Executive Council shall take the necessary measures to ensure that the requesting State Party bears all financial implications of the inspection and all other financial implications thereupon.**

(c) The requesting State Party and the inspected State Party shall have the right to participate in the review process. The Executive Council shall inform the States Parties and the next Conference of the outcome of the process.

(d) If the Executive Council has made specific recommendations to the Conference, the Conference shall consider action in accordance with Article XII.

PART IX

CHALLENGE INSPECTIONS PURSUANT TO ARTICLE IX

A. DESIGNATION AND SELECTION OF INSPECTORS AND INSPECTION ASSISTANTS

1. Inspections under Article IX shall only be performed by Inspectors and inspection assistants especially designated for this function. In order to designate Inspectors and inspection assistants for inspections under Article IX, the