

The special task of the inspection team is to establish facts allowing a conclusion whether or not the suspected non-compliance occurred at the site indicated in the request.

(b) The inspection team shall devote all its efforts to document such evidence and other material that permits a conclusion that beyond any reasonable doubt:

- (i) the suspected activities have not taken place at the site; or
- (ii) the suspected activities have taken place at the site.

However, its findings might also be of a nature that will make it impossible to conclude whether the suspected activities have taken place or not.

(c) Inspectors must not draw any conclusions from their findings concerning compliance. Yet they shall be able to assess the objective impact of evidence for such a conclusion.

In order to facilitate this assessment, the following types of evidence can be defined:

- (i) conclusive evidence, i.e. evidence that by its nature allows to reach a conclusion as under (b) (i) or (ii);
- (ii) supportive evidence, i.e. evidence that can be supportive in arriving at a conclusion as under (b) (i) or (ii). However, for lack of conclusive evidence on the same subject, it would not suffice for such a conclusion.

(d) The inspection team is under the obligation to secure, document and include in its report all evidence, conclusive and supportive alike, which is related to the objective of its inspection.

Information not related to the inspection purpose is to be ignored, not to be documented or otherwise mentioned in the inspection record, except there is an expressive wish of the inspected State party (see also under (e) (ii)).

(e) The inspection team has to meet two objectives:

To clarify the matter as complete and reliable as possible so that a conclusion can be drawn as set out under (b) (i) or (ii), and, at the same time, to conduct the inspection in the least intrusive manner as possible. That means permanent assessment of the objective impact of the documented evidence, of its character and completeness.

To arrive at reliable results in this respect, the head of the inspection team will, in certain cases, be well advised to consult closely with the