

V. Pre-inspection arrangements

1. [Unless otherwise provided for in this Convention] the (Director General of the) Technical Secretariat shall notify the State Party of its intention to carry out an inspection [[12] [24] [48] 1/ hours prior to the planned arrival of the inspection team [at the point of entry] [at the facility/site to be inspected]] [within the prescribed timeframes where specified].

2. The inspected State Party shall within [one] hour acknowledge the receipt of a notification by the Technical Secretariat of an intention to conduct an inspection. Notifications made by the Technical Secretariat shall include the following information:

- the point of entry
- the date and estimated time of arrival at the point of entry
- the means of arrival at the point of entry
- [- the site to be inspected]
- the names of Inspectors and inspection assistants
- if appropriate, aircraft clearance of special flights.

[The inspection site shall be specified by the chief of the inspection team at the point of entry not later than 24 hours after the arrival of the inspection team.]

3. Initial [inspections] [visits] shall be notified no less than 72 hours in advance of the estimated time of arrival of the inspection team at the point of entry. Such notifications shall in addition to the information specified in paragraph 2 above also include the specification of the inspection site.

4. In the case of an inspection of a facility of a State Party located in the territory of another State Party both State Parties shall be simultaneously notified in accordance with paragraphs 1, 2, 3 of this section.

5. Each State Party shall designate the points of entry and shall supply the required information to the Technical Secretariat not later than 30 days after the Convention enters into force. 2/ These points of entry shall be such that

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1/ Consideration needs to be given to balance the time required for logistical purposes and the amount of advance warning given to a Party of a pending inspection.

2/ In order to ensure that the process of designation of Inspectors, experts and supporting staff as well as of points of entry (and departure) function smoothly as from the date of entry into force of the Convention, the idea of the signatories indicating advance acceptance on the basis of a preliminary list drawn up by the Preparatory Commission should be considered.