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Outline of a manual for the activities of inspectors conducting inspections under

Article IX of the Convention

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In CD/CW/WP.198 it has been proposed to supplement the Guidelines on the International Inspectorate, as contained in CD/831, by special provisions applicable to challenge inspections. The elaboration of guidelines for challenge inspection would, at the same time, serve to concretize the terms and concepts included in the paper "On-site inspections on challenge" (CD/831, p. 126, appendix II).

Besides these guidelines, the problem of providing additional help for inspectors carrying out inspections under Article IX has been discussed. In contrast to the guidelines referred to above, more detailed methods used by inspectors could be dealt with in the form of a manual containing procedural suggestions. While not being of a binding nature the approaches and procedures set forth in such a manual would add stability and high professional equal standards to the relevant activities of inspectors.

The aforementioned manual would have to be elaborated under the responsibility of the Director-General of the Technical Secretariat. Part of its possible content is reflected in the following outline:

II

## 1. General observations

(a) The objective of inspection activities of International Inspectors under Article IX is to clarify doubts about compliance with the Convention.