

17. The Director-General of the Secretariat 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 final report shall contain such factual findings which relate only to the inspection mandate as well as the assessment of the inspection team of the degree and nature of access and cooperation granted to the inspectors and the extent to which this enabled them to fulfil their mandate. The Director-General shall further transmit promptly to the Executive Council the assessment of the requesting State Party, and the inspected State Party, and the views of other States Parties that may be conveyed to the Director-General for that purpose, and then transmit them to all States Parties.

18. The Executive Council shall meet within 48 hours following the presentation of the final report of the inspection team to review the situation and consider any appropriate further action necessary to redress the situation and to ensure compliance with the Convention, including specific proposals to the Conference of the States Parties. The Executive Council may also issue an opinion on whether the inspection was initiated in conformity with the obligation to keep the request within the scope of the Convention and conducted in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 15 above. At such a meeting, the requesting State Party and the inspected State Party shall have the right to participate. The Executive Council shall inform the States Parties of the outcome of its meeting.