

(c) inviolability of all the papers, documents, equipment and samples they carry with them;

(d) the right to use codes for their communication with the Secretariat and to receive papers or correspondence by courier or in sealed bags from the Secretariat;

(e) multiple entry/exit and/or transit visas and the same treatment in entry and transit formalities as is given to members of comparable rank of diplomatic missions;

(f) the same currency and exchange facilities as are accorded to representatives of foreign Governments on temporary official missions;

(g) the same immunities and facilities in respect to their personal baggage as are accorded to members of comparable rank of diplomatic missions.

2. Privileges and immunities shall be granted to Inspectors for the sake of the Convention and not for the personal benefit of the individuals themselves. The Secretariat shall have the right and the duty to waive the immunity of any Inspector whenever it is of the opinion that the immunity would impede the course of justice and can be waived without prejudice to the Convention.

3. If any State Party to the Convention considers that there has been an abuse of an above-mentioned privilege or immunity, consultations shall be held between that State and the Secretariat to determine whether such an abuse has occurred and, if so, to ensure that it does not repeat itself.

III. General rules governing inspections and the conduct of Inspectors

1. Inspectors shall carry out their functions under the Convention on the basis of the inspection mandate issued by the Technical Secretariat. They shall refrain from activities going beyond this mandate.

2. The activities of Inspectors shall be so arranged as to ensure on the one hand the effective discharge of the Inspectors' functions and, on the other, the least possible inconvenience to the State concerned and disturbance to the facility or other location inspected.

3. In the performance of their duties on the territory of a State Party, Inspectors shall, if the State Party so requests, be accompanied by representatives of this State, provided Inspectors are not thereby delayed or otherwise hindered in the exercise of their functions. If a State Party designates the Inspectors' point of entry into, and departure from, the State concerned and their routes and modes of travel within the State, it shall be guided by the principle of minimizing the time of travel and any other inconvenience.

4. In exercising their functions, Inspectors shall avoid unnecessarily hampering or delaying the operation of a facility or affecting its safety. In particular, Inspectors shall not operate any facility or direct the staff of the facility to perform any operation. If Inspectors consider that, to fulfil