

ISA 29th Session, Part II – Reading of the Draft Consolidated Text

Oral Statement by the Federal Republic of Germany

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Regulation 96 to 101 (on inspections and inspectors)

Just a brief intervention here to note that Germany will reserve our comments on inspections and inspectors, namely, DRs 96 to 101, and will return to these specific regulations once there is a clearer picture in Council about how the ICE mechanism will operate. In general, we think the current form of the regulations relating to inspections and inspectors have a reasonable foundation and are heading into the right direction. But it will only be possible for us to provide meaningful contributions once we agree on the overarching structure and mechanism. On this note, we have seen that the proposed text on the Compliance Committee has been moved from DR 96 bis to DR 102, and we will come back to discuss the Compliance Committee concept when we get to DR 102. In the meantime, we will listen carefully to the views of other delegations on DRs 96 to 101 on inspections and inspectors.