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Amendments to the IPU Statutes and Rules

Sub-amendment presented by the delegation of France within the statutory deadlines

Modify the original amendments as follows¹:

ARTICLE 19 bis

- 1. As the political head of the IPU, the President shall:
 - (a) Be the principal spokesperson for the Organization with authority to express its the political viewspositions of the Organization;

Comment:

The wording of the amendment in French is very ambiguous since, grammatically, it implies that the IPU President, as the IPU spokesperson, expresses his/her own political views.

Moreover, it seems preferable to refer to IPU positions, which correspond to the legal actions of an international parliamentary assembly, rather than to opinions.

The sub-amendment serves to remove any ambiguity.

¹ The text highlighted in grey represents the proposed sub-amendments.