

Article VIII

Consultative Committee

1. The State Parties to this Convention shall establish a Consultative Committee [upon] [within 30 days after the] entry into force of this Convention. Each State Party to this Convention shall be entitled to appoint a representative to the Consultative Committee.
2. The first session of the Consultative Committee shall be convened by the Depositary at [venue] not later than 30 days after the entry into force of the Convention.
3. The Consultative Committee shall [oversee] [review] the implementation of the Convention, consider any questions or matters relevant to the Convention or relating to the powers and functions of any organs established under the Convention, foster international consultations and co-operation among States Parties to the Convention, and promote the verification of compliance with this Convention.
4. For the purposes of this Convention the Consultative Committee shall be responsible for:<sup>\*/</sup>
  - (a) establishing, and revising as necessary, procedures for exchange of information, for declarations and for technical matters related to the implementation of this Convention;
  - (b) receiving, keeping [and making available to States Parties] declarations, plans and notifications presented by States Parties in accordance with Articles ...;

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<sup>\*/</sup> The enumeration of responsibilities listed in paragraph 3 was not considered to be exhausted.