

2. The Government of the Netherlands shall provide one vessel to be operated at Station J in relief of the United Kingdom vessels and at Station K in relief of the French vessels, in accordance with paragraph 3 of this Article.

3. The operation of Stations I, J and K shall be shared among the vessels of France, Netherlands and United Kingdom, as the authorities of the Governments of those countries shall arrange, on the following basis:

France (at Station K) 15 patrols annually;

Netherlands (at Stations J and K) 7 patrols annually;

United Kingdom (at Stations I and J) 30 patrols annually.

4. Since the number of vessels to be provided under this Article by the Governments of France, Netherlands and United Kingdom to maintain Stations I, J and K is more than is operationally necessary for this purpose, those Governments shall, if necessary and practicable, arrange to provide relief vessels to assist the Government of Norway in operating Station M in case of emergency. In such event, the Government of Norway shall reimburse the Government providing the relief vessel at the rate £7,500 for each patrol.

5. For the purposes of this Article a patrol shall consist of 21 days on station.

ARTICLE II

1. The location of any of the Stations may be changed:

(a) by the Contracting Government or Governments responsible for operating vessels thereat, provided that the consent of a majority of the other Contracting Governments is first obtained by or through the Council, or

(b) by the Council, provided that the consent of a majority of Contracting Governments, including the consent of the Contracting Government or Governments responsible for operating vessels at the Station concerned, is first obtained.

2. The Council may make arrangements, with the consent of a majority of the Contracting Governments, for the provision of one or more stations, or for the provision, maintenance and operation of one or more vessels, in the North Atlantic in addition to those specified in paragraph 1 of Article I. In the event of provision being made for one or more additional stations, the Council shall arrange, in accordance with paragraph 1 of this Article, such changes as may be necessary in the location of the existing Stations.

ARTICLE III

1. The Government of Belgium shall pay annually to the Government of Norway an amount in Belgian francs equivalent to £25,000, and the Government of Denmark shall pay annually to the Government of Norway an amount in Danish Kroner equivalent to Norwegian Kroner 460.000, towards the financing of the vessels operated by the Government of Norway under this Agreement. These amounts shall be paid in half-yearly instalments on 1st October and 1st April of each year.