

## ARTICLE 27

Article 53 of the Supplementary Agreement shall be amended as follows:

1. Paragraph 1 shall be replaced as follows:

"1. Within accommodation made available for its exclusive use, a force or a civilian component may take all the measures necessary for the satisfactory fulfilment of its defence responsibilities. German law shall apply to the use of such accommodation except as provided in the present Agreement and other international agreements, and as regards the organization, internal functioning and management of the force and its civilian component, the members thereof and their dependents, and other internal matters which have no foreseeable effect on the rights of third parties or on adjoining communities or the general public. The competent German authorities and the authorities of a force shall consult and co-operate to reconcile any differences that may arise."

2. Following paragraph 2, the following new paragraph 2bis shall be added:

"2bis. The use of major training areas, local training areas and local firing ranges by units brought to the Federal Republic for exercise and training purposes shall be subject to prior notification to the competent German authorities for approval. Such use shall be deemed approved unless the German authorities object within 45 days of receiving notification. However, notification alone shall suffice for units of the forces of a notifying State of up to 200 personnel which belong organically to a unit stationed in the Federal Republic, or which are intended for reinforcement of units stationed in the Federal Republic. For purposes of this Article, notice given to German authorities during scheduling conferences shall suffice. Additional agreements may be concluded."

3. Following paragraph 2bis, the following new paragraph 2ter shall be added:

"2ter. Details of the use of major training areas, air-to-ground weapons ranges, local training areas and local firing ranges, as well as the notification and approval set out in paragraph 2 bis, shall be covered by administrative agreements to be reached at the national level."