

- b) the Executive Committee has full control over the administration of the Institute;
- c) it appoints the Director by secret ballot;
- d) it approves the budget;
- e) it approves agreements to be concluded with other organisations;
- f) it makes all the general arrangements necessary for the running of the Institute;
- g) it nominates delegates to the Management Committee;
- h) moreover, in the intervals between the sessions of the General Conference it is empowered to take provisional decisions on matters within the province of the General Conference, such provisional decisions to be submitted to the General Conference for ratification at its next session.

ARTICLE XIV

Composition and procedure of the Executive Committee

1. The Executive Committee is composed of delegates appointed by the Member Countries or by competent association or organization acting in place of the Member Countries, each country being represented by one person.

2. Each Member Country or competent association or organization can also appoint a substitute delegate.

3. Each delegate on the Executive Committee has as many votes as the Member Country which he represents has representatives at the General Conference.

4. The President of the General Conference, the President and the Vice-Presidents of the Technical Board and also the Presidents of the Commissions are invited to meetings of the Executive Committee and they attend such meetings in an advisory capacity.

5. The Executive Committee holds one ordinary meeting each year. Extraordinary meetings are called at the instigation of its President or at the request of the Management Committee.

6. Resolutions of the Executive Committee are passed by a two-thirds majority of the votes of the delegates or substitute delegates present. In the case of the appointment of the Director if his election is not secured after two votes have been taken, a simple majority is sufficient. The other elections for which the Executive Committee is responsible are decided by a simple majority. In case of a tie, the President has the casting vote.

7. The Director is ex-officio Secretary of the Executive Committee.

8. When necessary, the Executive Committee draws up its own rules of procedure within the framework of the Agreement and of the General Regulations.

ARTICLE XV

President and Vice-Presidents of the Executive Committee

1. The President of the Executive Committee and the Vice-Presidents numbering from three to six, are elected at the General Conference at its ordinary session.

2. The President and the Vice-Presidents cannot be elected to the same office for more than two consecutive terms.