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Preparatory Commission 1/

1. For the purpose of carrying out the necessary preparations for the effective operation of the provisions of the Convention and for preparing for the first meeting of the Consultative Committee, the Depository of the Convention shall convene a Preparatory Commission not later than [30] days after the Convention has been signed by (to be determined) States.
2. The Commission shall consist of the representatives designated by the States which have signed the Convention.
3. The Commission shall be convened at [...] and remain in existence until the Convention comes into force and thereafter until the Consultative Committee has convened.
4. The expenses of the Commission shall be met by the States signatories to the Convention, participating in the Commission, [in accordance with the United Nations scale of assessment, adjusted to take into account differences between the United Nations membership and the participation of States signatories in the Commission].
5. All decisions of the Commission shall be made by [consensus] [a two-thirds majority].
6. The Commission shall
 - (a) elect its own officers, adopt its own rules of procedures, meet as often as necessary and establish such committees as it deems useful;
 - (b) appoint an executive secretary and establish a provisional technical secretariat with units in charge of preparatory work concerning the main activities to be carried out by the Technical Secretariat created under the Convention: declarations and data; inspectorate; evaluation of accounts and reports; agreements and negotiations; personnel, qualifications and training; development of procedures and instruments; technical support; finance and administration;
 - (c) make arrangements for the first session of the Consultative Committee, including the preparation of an agenda and draft rules of procedure;

1/ Provisions on the Commission could be contained in a resolution of the United Nations General Assembly commending the convention or in an appropriate document associated with the Convention.