

(c) States Parties shall not withdraw from this Convention within ...  
(other agreed period of time);

- or alternatively -

(d) Any State Party shall, in exercising its national sovereignty, have the right to withdraw from this Convention if, in the opinion of the withdrawing State there have arisen extraordinary circumstances connected with the content of this Convention which affect its supreme interests;

- or alternatively -

(e) Any State Party may withdraw from this Convention at any time;

- or alternatively -

(f) None.

3. (a) In exercising their right of withdrawal subject to paragraph 2 (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) above, States Parties shall give notice to the Depositary, the Security Council of the United Nations and the Executive Council of the Organization. Such notice shall include a statement of the reasons for the decision to withdraw.

(b) The Executive Council of the Organization shall promptly investigate and assess the reasons for the decision to withdraw and take appropriate measures within its competence to remedy the situation, including, *inter alia*, convening of a special session of the Conference of the States Parties. 1/

4. The withdrawal shall take effect ... [agreed period(s) of time] after the deposit of the notification by the State Party concerned. 2/

- or, as an alternative to paragraphs 3 and 4 above -

In exercising its right of withdrawal subject to paragraph 2 (d) above, a State Party shall give notice to all other Parties to the Convention, to the Depositary, and to the Security Council of the United Nations three months in advance. Such notice shall include a statement of the extraordinary events it regards as having jeopardized its supreme interests.

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1/ It is to be discussed whether special provisions regarding the competence of the Executive Council and Conference of the States Parties in cases of purported withdrawal are needed and if so, what would be their content and place in the Convention.

2/ The question of possibly setting several periods for the purpose of different circumstances relating to withdrawal, instead of a single period, requires further consideration.