

(2) Each Member and Associate Member undertakes to respect the exclusively international character of the responsibilities of the Secretary General, the Assistant Secretaries General and the staff and not to seek to influence them in the discharge of their responsibilities.

## ARTICLE 10

### *Plenipotentiary Conferences*

1. The Plenipotentiary Conference shall:

- a) consider the report of the Administrative Council on the activities of the Union;
- b) establish the basis for the budget of the Union for the next five years;
- c) finally approve the accounts of the Union;
- d) elect the Members of the Union which are to serve on the Administrative Council;
- e) revise the Convention if it considers this necessary;
- f) if necessary, enter into any formal agreement or revise any existing formal agreement between the Union and any other international body;
- g) deal with such other telecommunication questions as may be necessary.

2. The Plenipotentiary Conference normally shall meet once every five years at a time and place fixed by the preceding Plenipotentiary Conference.

3. The time or place of the next Plenipotentiary Conference may be changed:

- a) when at least twenty Members of the Union have proposed a change to the Administrative Council;
- b) on the proposal of the Administrative Council.

In either case, the Administrative Council, with the concurrence of a majority of the Members of the Union, shall fix the new time or the new place, or both, and shall indicate, if necessary, the agenda.

## ARTICLE 11

### *Administrative Conferences*

1. (1) The Administrative Conferences shall:

- a) revise the Regulations provided for in Article 13 paragraph 2 of this Convention with which they are respectively concerned;
- b) deal with all other matters deemed necessary within the terms of the Convention and the General Regulations, or in accordance with any directive given by the Plenipotentiary Conference.

(2) The radio administrative conference shall:

- a) elect the members of the International Frequency Registration Board;
- b) review its activities.

2. The administrative conferences shall meet at the same place and at the same time as the Plenipotentiary Conference, in general, every five years.

3. (1) An extraordinary administrative conference may be convened:

- a) by a decision of the Plenipotentiary Conference which shall determine its agenda and the time and place of its meeting; or
- b) when at least twenty Members of the Union have made known to the Administrative Council their desire that such a Conference shall be held to consider an agenda proposed by them; or
- c) on the proposal of the Administrative Council.