

initiative after consultation with the Chairman of the Assembly. The Director shall give members at least thirty days' notice of such sessions.

ARTICLE 20

A majority of the members of the Assembly shall constitute a quorum for its meetings.

Executive Committee

ARTICLE 21

1. The Executive Committee shall be established at the first regular session of the Assembly after the date on which the number of Contracting States reaches fifteen.

ARTICLE 22

1. The Executive Committee shall consist of one-third of the seven members of the Assembly but of not less than seven or more than fifteen members. Where the number of members of the Assembly is not divisible by three the one-third referred to shall be calculated on the next higher number which is divisible by three.

2. When electing the members of the Executive Committee the Assembly shall:

- (a) secure an equitable geographical distribution of the seats on the Committee on the basis of an adequate representation of Contracting States particularly exposed to the risks of oil pollution and of Contracting States having large tanker fleets; and
- (b) elect one half of the members of the Committee, or in case the total number of members to be elected is uneven, such number of the members as is equivalent to one half of the total number less one, among those Contracting States in the territory of which the largest quantities of oil to be taken into account under Article 10 were received during the preceding calendar year, provided that the number of states eligible under this sub-paragraph shall be limited as shown in the table below:

<i>Total number of Members on the Committee</i>	<i>Number of States eligible under sub-paragraph (b)</i>	<i>Number of States to be elected under sub-paragraph (b)</i>
7	5	3
8	6	4
9	6	4
10	8	5
11	8	5
12	9	6
13	9	6
14	11	7
15	11	7