

other training exercises on such plot of land for so long as it is to be feared that manœuvres or other training exercises might lead to further or renewed substantial impairment of the economic use of such plot of land.

(d) Should the German authorities raise objections to the utilization of a specific plot of land on the grounds that its utilization is prohibited under sub-paragraph (b) or (c) of this paragraph, they shall, on the request of the authorities of the force, enter into negotiations on the use of an alternative plot of land which satisfies the training requirements of the force, taking due account of German interests as well as of military requirements.

(e) Provisions of German law according to which the same terrain (Gelände) shall only in exceptional cases be used more than once in three months for exercises lasting several days shall not be applicable to a force.

3. To the extent that military reasons render it indispensable that a force utilise a nature preserve or a nature park or parts thereof, the Federal Government shall, unless the person entitled consents to such utilization, conclude with the Government of the sending State an agreement defining such nature preserve or nature park or parts thereof, and establishing to the extent necessary details of the utilization. In accordance with the agreement concluded, the force may utilise such nature preserve or nature park or parts thereof without the consent of the person entitled to grant it.

4. If the German authorities propose, instead of an area envisaged by the authorities of the force for the conduct of a manœuvre or other training exercise, an alternative area which suffices for the training requirements of the force, the force shall not conduct the manœuvre or other training exercise in the area first envisaged.

5. (a) The authorities of a force shall notify the German authorities at the earliest possible date of their programmes of manœuvres and other training exercises.

(b) Prior to the commencement of a manœuvre or other training exercise, the authorities of the force shall communicate to the German authorities by a given date, to be established by agreement between the Federal Government and the Governments of the sending States, a plan for the conduct of the manœuvre or the other training exercise in question together with all necessary documentation and explanations and shall, if requested by the German authorities, discuss such plan with them. Such plan shall in particular contain data on the type time of commencement, duration and place of the exercises and shall state whether public ways are to be wholly or partly closed or to be used other than as stipulated by German law and if so what safety measures are to be taken. Where use is to be made of aircraft in connection with a manœuvre or other training exercise such plan shall contain details of such use; Article 46 of the present Agreement shall remain unaffected.

(c) Should no objections be raised by the German authorities to a plan within a fixed period of time to be established by agreement between the Federal Government and the Government of a sending State the authorities of the force may act on the assumption that no such objections exist.