under paragraph (2) of this Article, which party shall bear the costs of the proceeding in the German Court or how such costs should be apportioned between the parties. In the absence of such determination each party to the proceeding shall bear its own costs; the costs in the Court of Arbitration and, if applicable, the costs in the German Court, shall be borne as to the one half by the creditor or creditors and as to the other half by the debtor or debtors.

(6) A proceeding pending before a Court of Arbitration may be withdrawn

only with the consent of all parties thereto.

(7) Subject to the provisions of this Article and of Article 17 of Annex IV to the present Agreement, a Court of Arbitration shall determine its own rules of procedure. In the absence of such determination, or in respect of matters not covered by such determination, the Arbitration Code of the International Chamber of Commerce shall apply.

(8) The decision of a Court of Arbitration in any proceeding shall be final

and binding upon the parties thereto.

ARTICLE 33

Matters arising in Deconcentration Proceedings

Matters of which disposition is specifically made in a plan approved, or an order or regulation issued, by the Allied High Commission or any of its subordinate agencies designated by it to act with respect to such matters, or any agency succeeding to the powers of the Allied High Commission with respect thereto, under Allied High Commission Laws No. 27 (Reorganisation of German Coal and Iron and Steel Industries) and No. 35 (Dispersion of Assets of I.G. Farbenindustrie A.G.) shall not be heard by the Tribunal or by any other arbitral body established under the present Agreement and the Annexes thereto. In any such disposition the creditor and debtor, the Allied authorities and the Board of Review shall apply the provisions of the present Agreement and the Annexes thereto. Before any plan can be approved or any order or regulation issued disposing of any matter which is in dispute by reason of a question of interpretation or application of the provisions of the present Agreement or the Annexes thereto, such dispute shall be referred to and be decided by the Tribunal or other arbitral body which is competent under the present Agreement and the Annexes thereto. The competence of the Tribunal or of any other arbitral body established under the present Agreement or the Annexes thereto with respect to matters which are not specifically disposed of under a plan, order or regulation as aforesaid or which arise by reason of events subsequent to the entry into effect of such plan, order or regulation shall not be affected by the preceding provisions of this Article.

ARTICLE 34

Consultation

In the interest of the continuing and effectual carrying out of the present Agreement and the Annexes thereto to the satisfaction of all parties concerned, and without derogating from the obligations which the Federal Republic of Germany has assumed—

(a) consultations will be held between the Parties to the present Agreement principally concerned, if the Government of the Federal Republic