Council.

- 3. Instruments of accession shall be deposited with the Depository of this Agreement.
- The Government of the People's Republic of China shall be the Depository of this Agreement.
- 5. The Depository shall maintain a record of signatures and accessions and communicate it to all Parties to this Agreement. The Depository shall also register this Agreement with the Secretariat of the United Nations in accordance with Article 102 of the Charter of the United Nations.

ARTICLE 21 - Entry into Force

- 1. This Agreement shall enter into force upon its signature by four States. In the event that the internal legislation of a signatory State requires it to ratify the Agreement, the Agreement, with respect to that State, shall enter into force on the first day of the month commencing after the date of receipt by the Depository of its instrument of ratification.
- For each State depositing an instrument of adhesion or accession, this Agreement shall
 enter into force on the first day of the month commencing after the date of receipt by the
 Depository of such instrument.

ARTICLE 22 - Withdrawal

Any Party to this Agreement may withdraw from the Network upon six months written notice to the other Parties through the Depositary. Such withdrawal shall in no way affect contractual or other obligations entered into by the Network prior to notice of the withdrawal being given.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned Plenipotentiaries, being duly authorized by their respective Governments, have signed this Agreement.

DONE at Beijing, the People's Republic of China, in Chinese, English, French and Spanish, all versions being equally authoritative, on November 6th, 1997.