

However, the situation of certain Member States who may find themselves in a period of financial difficulty and may not for the time being be able to meet their obligations shall be examined by the Conference which may, in certain cases, grant them extensions of time or remissions.

Insufficiency of receipts resulting from the removal of a Member State from the list of Member States shall be compensated for by drawing from the reserve funds, constituted as indicated in Article XXIV.

Member States voluntarily resigning and Member States automatically considered as having resigned shall lose all rights of joint ownership of the property of the Organization.

ARTICLE XXX

A Member State which has voluntarily resigned may be readmitted at its own request. It shall then be considered as a new Member State, but the entry fee shall be payable only if its resignation took place more than five years previously.

A Member State automatically regarded as having resigned may be readmitted at its own request, on condition that it settle its unpaid contributions due at the time it was removed from the list of Member States. Such retroactive contributions shall be calculated on the basis of the contributions for the years prior to its readmission. It shall thereafter be considered a new Member State, but the admission fee shall be calculated by taking its previous contributions into account, in proportions to be fixed by the Conference.

ARTICLE XXXI

In the event of the dissolution of the Organization, the assets shall be distributed among all the Member States proportionally to the total amount of their previous dues, subject to any agreement which may be made between those Member States which have paid their dues up to the date of dissolution and to the rights contracted or acquired by personnel in active service or retired.

CHAPTER IV

GENERAL PROVISIONS

ARTICLE XXXII

The present Convention shall remain open for signature until December 31, 1955, at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the French Republic.

It shall be ratified.

Instruments of ratification shall be deposited with the Government of the French Republic, which will notify each of the signatory States of the date of their deposit.