

the Meeting of Signatories shall give due and proper consideration to resolutions, recommendations and views addressed to it by the Assembly of Parties or the Board of Governors.

(b) The Meeting of Signatories shall have the following functions and powers:

(i) to consider and express its views to the Board of Governors on the annual report and annual financial statements submitted to it by the Board of Governors;

(ii) to express its views and make recommendations on proposed amendments to this Agreement pursuant to Article XVII of this Agreement and to consider and take decisions, in accordance with Article 22 of the Operating Agreement and taking into account any views and recommendations received from the Assembly of Parties or the Board of Governors, on proposed amendments to the Operating Agreement which are consistent with this Agreement;

(iii) to consider and express its views regarding reports on future programs, including the estimated financial implications of such programs, submitted by the Board of Governors;

(iv) to consider and decide on any recommendation made by the Board of Governors concerning an increase in the ceiling provided for in Article 5 of the Operating Agreement;

(v) to establish general rules, upon the recommendation of and for the guidance of the Board of Governors, concerning:

(A) the approval of earth stations for access to the INTELSAT space segment,

(B) the allotment of INTELSAT space segment capacity, and

(C) the establishment and adjustment of the rates of charge for utilization of the INTELSAT space segment on a non-discriminatory basis;

(vi) to take decisions pursuant to Article XVI of this Agreement in connection with the withdrawal of a Signatory from INTELSAT;

(vii) to consider and express its views on complaints submitted to it by Signatories directly or through the Board of Governors or submitted to it through the Board of Governors by users of the INTELSAT space segment who are not Signatories;

(viii) to prepare and present to the Assembly of Parties, and to the Parties, reports concerning the implementation of general policies, the activities and the long-term program of INTELSAT;

(ix) to take decisions concerning the approval referred to in subparagraph (b) (ii) of Article III of this Agreement;

(x) to consider and express its views on the report on permanent management arrangements submitted by the Board of Governors to the Assembly of Parties pursuant to paragraph (g) of Article XII of this Agreement;

(xi) to make annual determinations for the purpose of representation on the Board of Governors in accordance with Article IX of this Agreement; and

(xii) to exercise any other powers coming within the purview of the Meeting of Signatories according to the provisions of this Agreement or the Operating Agreement.