

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL */

A. Composition, procedure and decision-making

1. The Executive Council shall consist of [15] States Parties to this Convention elected by the Consultative Committee. [In addition, those permanent members of the Security Council of the United Nations which are parties to the Convention should be represented]. Each member of the Executive Council shall have one representative in the Council, who may be accompanied by alternates and advisers.

2. The members of the Executive Council shall be elected on the basis of [an appropriate geographic and political balance.]

3. Election shall take place at regular sessions of the Consultative Committee. Each [elected] member of the Executive Council shall serve for [two] [three] years period, with [five] of the members elected each year.

4. The Executive Council shall function at the seat of the Consultative Committee.

[5. A majority of the members of the Executive Council shall constitute a quorum.]

6. Each member of the Executive Council shall have one vote.

[[7. Decisions on questions of procedure shall be taken by a simple majority.]

8. Decisions on questions of substance shall be taken by [a two-third majority] [consensus]. When the issue arises as to whether a question is one of substance or not, that question shall be treated as one of substance unless otherwise decided by the Council by the majority required for decisions on questions of substance.]]

[[7. All decisions shall be taken by a two-third majority.]]

*/ Some delegations believed that the question of placement within the Convention of some of the provisions relating to the functions of the subsidiary organs will have to be considered at a later stage.