

ARTICLE XII

Additional Purchases in Case of Critical Need

In order to meet a critical need which has arisen or threatens to arise in its territory, an importing country may appeal to the Council for assistance in obtaining supplies of wheat in addition to its guaranteed purchases. On consideration of such an appeal the Council may reduce pro rata the guaranteed quantities of the other importing countries in order to provide the quantity of wheat which it determines to be necessary to relieve the emergency created by the critical need, provided that it considers that such emergency cannot be met in any other manner. Two-thirds of the votes cast by the exporting countries and two-thirds of the votes cast by the importing countries shall be required for any reduction of guaranteed purchases under this paragraph.

PART 4 - ADMINISTRATION

ARTICLE XIII

The Council

A. Constitution

1. The International Wheat Council, established by the International Wheat Agreement which was opened for signature in Washington on March 23, 1949 shall continue in being for the purpose of administering the present Agreement.
2. Each exporting country and each importing country shall be a voting member of the Council and may be represented at its meetings by one delegate, alternates, and advisers.