

ARTICLE 29

Following Article 53 of the Supplementary Agreement, the following new Article 53A shall be added:

"Article 53A

1. Where German law applies in connection with the use of accommodation covered by Article 53 of the present Agreement, and requires that a special permit, licence or other form of official permission be obtained, the German authorities shall, in co-operation with the authorities of a force and following consultation with them, submit the necessary applications and undertake the relevant administrative and legal procedures for the force.

2. The provisions of paragraph 1 of this Article shall also apply when the decision is contested by a third party, when measures or facilities are notifiable, and in cases where the proceedings are instituted *ex officio*, in particular to safeguard public safety and order, or at the instigation of a third party. In these instances German Federal authorities acting for the force shall defend the interests of the force. If a permission applied for under paragraph 1 of this Article is denied or is subsequently modified or rendered invalid in conformity with German law, the authorities of the force and the German authorities shall consult to develop alternative means of meeting the needs of the force consistent with the requirements of German law.

3. The authorities of the force shall act in strict conformity with the terms and requirements of a legally effective decision taken in accordance with paragraphs 1 and 2 of this Article. They shall co-operate closely with German authorities to ensure that this obligation is fulfilled. Such a decision shall not be subject to enforcement."

ARTICLE 30

Article 54 of the Supplementary Agreement shall be amended as follows:

Paragraph 1 shall be replaced as follows:

"1. Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, the German regulations and procedures for the prevention and control of infectious diseases of humans, animals and plants as well as for the prevention and control of plant pests shall apply to a force and a civilian component. A force may apply its own regulations and procedures in the fields referred to in