

for a transitional period. The transitional period shall not be terminated without mutual agreement between the forces and the German authorities.

- (c) Exceptions to the principle referred to in sub-paragraph (b) of this paragraph shall only be permissible
- (i) for telecommunication facilities already in the possession of the force or being procured upon entry into force of the Agreement of 18 March 1993 to amend the present Agreement, or
 - (ii) on the basis of special agreements between the force and the Federal Minister of Posts and Telecommunications.

Any questions of liability arising as a result thereof shall be settled in conformity with the provisions of existing agreements."

5. Paragraph 8, sub-paragraph (a) shall be replaced as follows:

"(a) In establishing and operating telecommunication facilities, a force shall observe the provisions of the International Telecommunication Convention, done at Nairobi on 6 November 1982, or of such other instrument as may replace it and any other international instruments in the field of telecommunications binding on the Federal Republic."

6. Paragraph 10 shall be replaced as follows:

"10. At the request of a force, the Federal Minister of Posts and Telecommunications shall, within his sphere of responsibility, advocate the interests of the force in the interpretation and application of this Article."

ARTICLE 40

The Protocol of Signature re Article 60 to the Supplementary Agreement shall be amended as follows:

1. Paragraph 1 shall be deleted.
2. Paragraph 3 shall be deleted.
3. Paragraph 5 shall be replaced as follows:
 - "5. (a) A force shall use only the frequencies assigned to it by the German authorities. The authorities of the force shall notify the German authorities of frequencies no longer required. If, by reason of international obligations, international relations, or essential German interests, the German