

Article 4

The withdrawals and transfers of military forces, supplies and equipment shall be effected in accordance with the following principles:

- (a) The withdrawals and transfers of the military forces, supplies and equipment of the two parties shall be completed within a period of 120 days from the day on which the Armistice Agreement enters into force.

The two parties undertake to communicate their transfer plans to each other, for information, within 25 days of the entry into force of the present Agreement.

- (b) The withdrawals of the Viet-Nameese People's Volunteers from Laos to Viet-Nam shall be effected by provinces. The position of these volunteers who were settled in Laos before the hostilities shall form the subject of a special convention.

- (c) The routes for the withdrawal of the forces of the French Union and Viet-Nameese People's Volunteers in Laos from Laotian territory shall be fixed on the spot by the Joint Commission.

- (d) The two parties shall guarantee that the withdrawals and transfers of all forces will be effected in accordance with the purposes of this Agreement, and that they will not permit any hostile action or take action of any kind whatever which might hinder such withdrawals or transfers. The parties shall assist each other as far as possible.

- (e) While the withdrawals and transfers of the forces are proceeding, the two parties shall not permit