

Article VIII

Problems and Questions to be Addressed in the Further Elaboration of the Article

I. International Organization

1. Should the legal framework, in which the organs will operate, be defined as an independent legal personality under international law?

2. Problems pointed out during the discussion:

Powers to enter into agreements with other international organizations and with States Parties.

Each State Party is an ipso facto member of the Organization.

3. Beside the overall mandate of the Organization to implement the provisions of the Convention, is a detailed description of its objectives necessary?

II. Main organs

1. Should there be a three-layer structure?

- . Principal organ
- . Executive organ
- . Technical organ

2. Should the name of the principal organ be changed from "Consultative Committee" into "General Conference"?

3. How should the powers and functions of the principal organ be defined in order that it may carry out its primary task, which is to determine the Organization's general policies?

III. Review conferences

The regular review of the implementation of the Convention would be undertaken on the basis of the annual report of the Organization. Conclusions to be drawn could be reflected, inter alia, in its annual programme and budget. In the light of this regular review, the issue of holding review conferences at longer intervals will have to be addressed. The objective of such conferences would be a comprehensive assessment of the implementation of every article of the Convention. The principal organ of the Organization would be the appropriate forum for such a conference, thus stressing the role of this body.

IV. Amendments to annexes

The solution to this problem would be to reconcile the two objectives: to provide for the stability of the Convention and to allow practical