

ARTICLE 17.

The Director of the Bureau, as well as the assistants, shall be nominated by the International Committee by ballot.

The subordinate officers are to be nominated by the Director.

The Director is to have a voice at the meetings of the Committee.

ARTICLE 18.

The Director of the Bureau shall not have access to the place of deposit of the International Prototypes of the Metre and Kilogram, except by a special resolution of the Committee, and in presence of two of its members.

The place of deposit of the Prototypes shall be securely closed under three keys, of which one shall be kept in the possession of the Director of the Archives of France, the second in that of the President of the Committee, and the third in that of the Director of the Bureau.

The Standards which are of the same character as the national primary Metric Standards, shall alone serve for the ordinary work of comparisons at the Bureau.

ARTICLE 19

The Director of the Bureau shall address to the Committee every year—

1. A financial report upon the accounts for the preceding period, for which after examination and approval, he shall receive his discharge.
2. A report upon the state of the material of the Bureau.
3. A general report upon the work done during the course of the past year.

The International Committee, on their part, shall address to the Governments of all the High Contracting Parties an annual report on the whole of its scientific, technical, and administrative work, including that of the Bureau.

The President of the Committee shall render account to the General Conference of the work done since the period of its last session.

The reports and publications of the Committee and of the Bureau shall be drawn up in the French language. They shall be printed and communicated to the Governments of the High Contracting Parties.

ARTICLE 20

The scale of contributions mentioned in Article 9 of the Convention shall be fixed as follows:—

The amount of population, expressed in millions, shall be multiplied by—  
The co-efficient 3 for those countries in which the Metric System is compulsory.

The co-efficient 2 for those countries in which it is only permissive.

The co-efficient 1 for other countries.

The sum of the products thus obtained will furnish the number of units by which the whole expense must be divided. The quotient will give the amount of the unit of expense.

ARTICLE 21

The costs of completing the International Metric Prototypes, as well as the auxiliary Standards intended to accompany them, shall be defrayed by the High Contracting Parties according to the scale fixed by the preceding Article.

The costs of comparison and of verification of the Standards demanded by the States who do not take part in the present Convention shall be regulated by the Committee in conformity with the tariff of fees to be fixed under Article 15 of the Regulations.