

exporting country because, at the time the reduction is made, that country has already exported all or part of the amount of such reduction, a corresponding amount shall be deducted from the initial export quota of that country for the following quota year.

#### ARTICLE 22

(1) If, at any time, the Council decides that market conditions make it advisable to increase the export quotas in effect with a view to preventing the price of sugar from rising above the maximum price established under Article 20, it may make such increase in the export quotas in effect as it deems necessary *pro rata* to the basic export tonnages subject to the provisions of Article 14 B.

(2)—(i) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (1) of this Article, whenever the average daily spot price of sugar for any one period of fifteen consecutive market days has averaged more than the maximum price established under Article 20, the Council shall, within ten days of the end of such fifteen-day period, make such increases as it deems necessary in the export quotas in effect, *pro rata* to the basic export tonnages and subject to the provisions of Article 14 B; provided that no further alteration in the export quotas in effect shall be made under this sub-paragraph within a period of fifteen consecutive market days from the date of any adjustment in quotas in effect, pursuant to the provisions of this sub-paragraph and of Article 21.

(ii) If the Council cannot agree within the said period of ten days upon the amount of the increase under paragraph (2) (i) of this Article, the export quotas in effect shall be increased each time by  $7\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. of the basic export tonnages, subject to the provisions of Article 14 B.

(3) The Secretary of the Council shall notify the Governments of participating countries of each increase made under this Article in the export quotas in effect.

### Chapter IX.—General Limitation of Reductions in Export Quotas

#### ARTICLE 23

(1) Except in respect of penalties imposed under Article 12 and reductions made under Article 19 (1) (i), the export quota in effect of any participating exporting country listed in Article 14 (1) shall not be reduced below 80 per cent. of its basic export tonnage and all other provisions of this Agreement shall be construed accordingly; provided, however, that the export quota in effect of any participating exporting country having a basic export tonnage under Article 14 (1) of less than 50,000 tons shall not be reduced below 90 per cent. of its basic export tonnage.

(2) A reduction of quotas under Article 21 shall not be made within the last forty-five calendar days of the quota year.

### Chapter X.—Sugar Mixtures

#### ARTICLE 24

Should the Council at any time be satisfied that as the result of a material increase in the exportation or use of sugar mixtures, those products are taking the place of sugar to such an extent as to prevent full effect being given to the purpose of this Agreement it may resolve that such products or any of them shall be deemed to be sugar, in respect of their sugar content, for the purposes