

the junior judge, in the order of precedence laid down in Article 4, paragraph 1, is not counted.

Article 28. The judgment of the court must give the reasons on which it is based. It contains the names of the judges taking part in it; it is signed by the president and registrar.

Article 29. Each party pays its own costs and an equal share of the costs of the trial.

Article 30. The provisions of Articles 21 to 29 are applicable by analogy to the procedure before the delegation.

When the right of attaching a member to the delegation has been exercised by one of the parties only, the vote of the member attached is not recorded if the votes are evenly divided.

Article 31. The general expenses of the court are borne by the contracting powers.

The Administrative Council applies to the powers to obtain the funds requisite for the working of the court.

Article 32. The court itself draws up its own rules of procedure, which must be communicated to the contracting powers.

After the ratification of the present convention, the court shall meet as early as possible in order to elaborate these rules, elect the President and Vice-President and appoint the members of the delegation.

Article 33. The court may propose modifications in the provisions of the present convention concerning procedure. These proposals are communicated through the Netherland Government to the contracting powers, which will consider together as to the measures to be taken.

Part III. Final Provisions.

Article 34. The present convention shall be ratified as soon as possible.

The ratifications shall be deposited at The Hague.

A *proces-verbal* of the deposit of each ratification shall be drawn up, of which a duly certified copy shall be sent through the diplomatic channel to all the signatory powers.

Article 35. The convention shall come into force six months after its ratification.

It shall remain in force for twelve years, and shall be tacitly renewed for periods of twelve years, unless denounced.