- 5. A member of the Commission that has not paid its contributions in full for two consecutive years shall not be entitled to participate in the making of decisions by the Commission, nor may it present objections to any decisions taken by the Commission, until it has discharged its financial obligations to the Commission.
- 6. The financial affairs of the Commission shall be audited annually by external auditors to be selected by the Commission.

## Article 13

## Flag State Duties

- 1. Each Contracting Party shall take such measures as may be necessary to ensure that fishing vessels entitled to fly its flag:
  - (a) operating in the Convention Area comply with the provisions of this Convention and measures adopted pursuant to this Convention and that such vessels do not engage in any activities that undermine the effectiveness of such measures; and
  - (b) do not conduct unauthorized fishing activities within areas under the national jurisdiction of another State adjacent to the Convention Area.
- 2. No Contracting Party shall allow any fishing vessel entitled to fly its flag to be used for fishing activities in the Convention Area unless it has been authorized to do so by the appropriate authority or authorities of that Contracting Party. Each Contracting Party shall authorize the use of vessels entitled to fly its flag for fishing activities in the Convention Area only where it is able to exercise effectively its responsibilities in respect of those vessels under this Convention, the 1982 Convention and the 1995 Agreement.
- 3. Each Contracting Party shall ensure that fishing activities by fishing vessels entitled to fly its flag undertaken in violation of the provisions of this Convention, as well as measures adopted pursuant to this Convention and the authorization in paragraph 2, constitute a violation under its legal framework.
- 4. Each Contracting Party shall require fishing vessels that are entitled to fly its flag and that are engaged in fishing activities in the Convention Area:
  - (a) to use real-time satellite position-fixing transmitters while in the Convention Area in accordance with procedures developed pursuant to Article 7, subparagraph 2(e);
  - (b) to notify the Commission of their intention to enter and exit the Convention Area in accordance with procedures developed pursuant to Article 7, subparagraph 2(f); and