

56.3 The Parties shall make every effort to reach agreement on any proposed annex to the Protocol or amendment to an annex to the Protocol by consensus. If all efforts at consensus have been exhausted, and no agreement reached, the annex or amendment shall as a last resort be adopted by a [two-thirds]/[three-fourths]/[double two-thirds ...] majority vote of the Parties present and voting at the meeting. The adopted annex or amendment shall be communicated by the secretariat to the Depositary, who shall circulate it to all Parties for their acceptance.

56.4 An annex that has been adopted or amended in accordance with paragraphs 11.2 and 11.3 above shall enter into force for all Parties to the Protocol six months after the date of the communication by the Depositary to such Parties of the adoption or amendment of the annex, except for those Parties that have notified the Depositary, in writing, within that period of their non-acceptance of the annex or amendment. The annex or amendment shall enter into force for Parties which withdraw their notification of non-acceptance on the ninetieth day after the date on which withdrawal of such notification has been received by the Depositary.

56.5 If the adoption of an annex or an amendment to an annex involves an amendment to the Protocol, that annex or amendment to an annex shall not enter into force until such time as the amendment to the Protocol enters into force.

[56.6 Proposals for amendments to annex[es] ... to the Protocol shall be adopted and enter into force in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article... [paras 6.2 - 6.5]]

56.7 For the purposes of this Article, "Parties present and voting" means Parties present and casting an affirmative or negative vote.

### ***Proposal 2***

57. Elaboration of any annexes dealing with lists in Annexes I and II to the Convention, and any other listings of the Parties shall be in accordance with Article 4.2(f) and 4.2(g) of the Convention, taking into account Article 4.2(d) of the Convention.

### **Proposal 3**

58. Any Party to the Convention may propose annexes to this Protocol, and amendments to annexes to this Protocol. For purposes of Article 17.5 of the Convention, the phrase "Decisions under any Protocol" shall not be interpreted or applied to include adoption of an annex to this Protocol nor amendment to any such annex. The authority to adopt any of the foregoing is vested in the Conference of the Parties.

58.1 Annexes to this Protocol shall form an integral part thereof and, unless otherwise expressly provided, a reference to this Protocol constitutes at the same time a reference to any annexes thereto. Such annexes shall be restricted to lists, forms and any other material of a descriptive nature that is of a scientific, technical, procedural or administrative character.