

2. On receipt of twenty or more requests, the Administrative Council shall inform all Members and Associate Members, give particulars and allow a period of six weeks for receipt of their comments. If there is unanimity of opinion among the Members on place and date, the Council shall ascertain whether the Government of the country in which the proposed meeting place is situated is prepared to act as inviting Government. If the answer is in the affirmative, the Council and the Government concerned shall arrange accordingly. If the answer is in the negative, the Council shall so inform the Members and Associate Members desiring the Conference, and invite alternative suggestions. On receipt of these suggestions, the Council shall, where appropriate, follow the consultation procedure set out in paragraph 3 below.

3. If more than one meeting place or date for the Conference is suggested, the Council shall consult the Government of each of the countries where the places are situated. When the views of the Governments have been ascertained, the Council shall invite all Members and Associate Members to choose one of the meeting places and/or dates which have been ascertained to be available. According to the wishes of the majority of the Members, the Council shall then arrange the Conference in collaboration with the inviting Government.

4. All Members and Associate Members shall dispatch their replies to a communication from the Administrative Council regarding the date and meeting place for a Conference in time for the replies to reach the Council within six weeks of the date of the communication from the Council.

CHAPTER 5

Method of Presentation of Proposals for Consideration at Conferences

To be considered by the Conference, all proposals, the adoption of which will require revision of the text of the Convention or Regulations, must carry references identifying by Chapter, Article or Paragraph number those parts of the text which will require such revision.

CHAPTER 6

Rules of Procedure of Conferences

RULE 1

Order of Seating

At sessions of the Plenary Assembly, the delegates, representatives, experts and attachés shall be grouped in delegations, and the delegations shall be seated in the alphabetical order of the French names of the countries represented.

RULE 2

First Session of the Plenary Assembly

The first session of the Plenary Assembly shall be opened by a person appointed by the inviting Government.

RULE 3

Election of the Chairman and Vice-Chairmen

The chairman and the vice-chairmen of the Conference shall be elected at the first session of the Plenary Assembly of the Conference.