### ARTICLE 18

If any Contracting Party finds it impossible to apply any provision of this open to trade act that such country Chapter to trade with another country by reason of the fact that such country a party to the party to the country by reason of the fact that such country be contracting Party will only be a not a party to the present Convention, such Contracting Party will only be bound to apply the present Convention, such Contracting Party will only be bound to apply the present Convention, such Contracting Party will only to apply the provisions of this Chapter so far as the circumstances permit.

# CHAPTER VI.—PERMANENT CENTRAL BOARD

## ARTICLE 19

A Permanent Central Board shall be appointed, within three months from

The Central Dord shall be appointed.

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The members and disinterestedness, will be appointed by the Council of The members of the Central Board shall be appointed by the Council of the League of Nations. The United States of America and Germany shall be invited each to

hominate one person to participate in these appointments. In making the appointments, consideration shall be given to the importance and the consideration shall be given to the importance and the consideration shall be given to the importance and the consideration of the constant In making the appointments, consideration shall be given to the important and including on the Central Board, in equitable proportion, persons possessing a manufacturing countries of the description of t nowledge of the drug situation, both in the producing and manufacturing countries on the Ope hand, and these of the drug situation, both in the producing and manufacturing and the one hand, and in the consuming countries on the other hand, and with the consuming countries on the other hand, and the consuming countries on the consuming countries of the consuming countries on the consuming countries on the consuming countries on the consuming countries of the consuming c connected with such countries. The members of the Central Board shall not hold any office which puts them

The members of the Central Board shall not not any position of direct dependence on their Governments. The members shall be appointed for a term of five years, and they will be eligible for re-appointment.

The Central Board shall elect its own President and shall settle its rules of

At meetings of the Board, four members shall form a quorum. The decisions he Board relations and absolute majority of the Board relative to Articles 24 and 26 shall be taken by an absolute majority of the whole number of the Board.

The Council of the League of Nations shall, in consultation with the Board, the necessary the League of Nations shall, in consultation and working of the Board, in The Council of the League of Nations shall, in consultation with the Board, with the necessary arrangements for the organization and working of the Board in object of the Board in the the Board the necessary arrangements for the organization and working of the Board in object of assuring the full technical independence of the Board in out its during out its during the full technical independence of the Board in out its during the full technical independence of the Board i the object of assuring the full technical independence of the Board out its duties under the present Convention, while providing for the of the stoff is under the present Provided by the Secretary-General. The Secretary Condition administrative matters by the Secretary General.

The Secretary-General shall appoint the secretary and staff of the Board he nomination of the Sall appoint the approval of the Council. The Secretary-General shall appoint the secretary and staff of the Board and subject to the approval of the Council.

The Contracting Parties agree to send in annually before December 31st, to Permanent Contracting Parties agree to send in annually before December 31st, to Permanent Contracting Parties agree to send in annually before December 31st, to Permanent Contracting Parties agree to send in annually before December 31st, to Permanent Contracting Parties agree to send in annually before December 31st, to Permanent Contracting Parties agree to send in annually before December 31st, to Permanent Contracting Parties agree to send in annually before December 31st, to Permanent Contracting Parties agree to send in annually before December 31st, to Permanent Contracting Parties agree to send in annually before December 31st, to Permanent Contracting Parties agree to send in annually before December 31st, to Permanent Contracting Parties agree to send in annually before December 31st, to Permanent Contracting Parties agree to send in annually before December 31st, to Permanent Contracting Parties agree to send in annually before December 31st, to Permanent Contracting Parties agree to send in annually before December 31st, to Permanent Contracting Parties agree to Send in Annual The Contracting Parties agree to send in annually before December 3186, of each of the substance of the quantities agree to send in annually before December 3186, of each of the substance of th Permanent Central Board set up under Article 19, estimates of the quantitation of the substances covered by the Convention to be imported into their of the substances covered by the following year for medical, scientific each of the substances covered by the Convention to be imported into other internal consumption during the following year for medical, scientific purposes. and other purposes.

These purposes.

These estimates are not to be regarded as binding on the Government conded, but will be a serious to be regarded as binding on the Central Board in These estimates are not to be regarded as binding on the Government to the discharge of its deliberation of the purpose of serving as a guide to the Central Board in the course of the discharge of its deliberation. the discharge of its duties.

Should circumstances make it necessary for any country, in the course year, to modify its estimates, the country in question shall communicate the figures to the Should circumstances make it necessary for any country, in the course of rear, to modify it revised figures to the Central Board.