

(e) The Executive Council may itself propose amendments, making use of information provided by the Director-General. In such cases, subparagraphs (c) and (d) shall be applied accordingly;

(f) The Director-General shall notify all States Parties of any decision under this paragraph;

(g) An amendment approved under this procedure shall enter into force for all States Parties 60 days after the date of its notification by the Director-General unless otherwise recommended by the Executive Council or decided by the Conference of the States Parties.

3. The Executive Council shall, in accordance with the provisions of Article VIII of the Charter of the United Nations, request the International Court of Justice to give an advisory opinion on any legal question arising within the scope of the activities of the Organization.

4. The Conference of the States Parties shall consider questions related to disputes raised by States Parties or brought to its attention by the Executive Council. The Conference of the States Parties shall, as it finds necessary, establish and/or request organs with tasks related to the settlement of these disputes in conformity with Article VIII, paragraph 16 (b), 17.

5. The Conference of the States Parties and the Executive Council are separately empowered, subject to authorization from the General Assembly of the United Nations, to request the International Court of Justice to give an advisory opinion on any legal question arising within the scope of the activities of the Organization.

6. This Article is without prejudice to Article II or to the provisions on measures to redress a situation and to ensure compliance, including sanctions.

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