

- (f) the times and manner in which sums due from one National Body to another shall be paid;
- (g) the currencies in which accounts are to be prepared; and
- (h) the financial year for the purpose of this Agreement.

#### ARTICLE 10

(1) Acceptance of this Agreement under the provisions of Article 11 of this Agreement shall be effected by the signature of the Agreement which shall be kept in the custody of the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland. The latter Government shall notify all other Partner Governments and the Council of such signatures as soon as possible.

(2) By their acceptance of this Agreement, Partner Governments accept it on their own behalf, on behalf of their National Bodies and, subject to any reservations or exceptions made from time to time, in respect of the territories for the international relations of which they are responsible.

#### ARTICLE 11

The Government of any independent Member of the Commonwealth and, by agreement of the Partner Governments, the Government of any other Commonwealth country or territory, other than any Government signing the Agreement before the date specified in paragraph (1) of Article 16, may accept this Agreement and become a Partner Government by signing the Agreement as provided for in paragraph (1) of Article 10 of this Agreement.

#### ARTICLE 12

On the date on which any Partner Government leaves the Commonwealth it shall forthwith cease to be a Partner Government.

#### ARTICLE 13

(1) If any Partner Government wishes to withdraw from this Agreement, it may do so by giving notice in writing to the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland. The latter Government shall notify all other Partner Governments and the Council of such notice and the date of receipt thereof as soon as possible.

(2) The notice shall take effect at the end of a financial year as determined under Article 9 (h) and the period of notice shall include two complete financial years from the date of the receipt of the notice by the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

#### ARTICLE 14

The account under Article 8 of this Agreement of the National Body of any Government ceasing to be a Partner Government under Article 12 or Article 13 of this Agreement shall be made up to the date of that Government ceasing to be a Partner Government and all payments shall be made accordingly.

#### ARTICLE 15

In the event of a Government ceasing to be a Partner Government this Agreement shall thereafter remain in force and effect as between the remaining Partner Governments subject only to such consequential modifications, if any, as they may agree to be necessary or expedient.