## ARTICLE 10

The International Committee is to constitute itself by choosing its president and secretary by ballot. These appointments shall be notified to the High Contracting Parties.

The president and the secretary of the committee, and the director of the Bureau, must belong to different countries.

Once constituted, the Committee cannot proceed to any new election or appointment until three months shall have elapsed from the period of notice being given to all the members by the Bureau of the Committee.

## ARTICLE 11

Up to the period when all the new primary Metric Standards shall be completed and distributed, the Committee shall meet at least once a year; after this period, their meetings shall be at least biennial.

# ARTICLE 12

The votes of the Committee shall be taken by the majority of voices; in case the number is equal, the president shall have a casting vote. The decisions shall not be valid unless the number of members present is equal at least to one more than half the number of members composing the Committee.

Under this condition, the absent members shall have the right of delegating their votes to the members present, who must produce proof of this delegation. The same rule is to apply to appointments by ballot.

### ARTICLE 13

During the interval between one session and another, the Committee is to have the right to deliberate by correspondence.

In such case, in order that the decision may be valid, it is requisite that all the members of the Committee shall have been appealed to for their opinion.

### ARTICLE 14

The International Committee of Weights and Measures is to fill up provisionally any vacancies which may arise in their number; these elections may be made by correspondence, each member being invited to take part in them.

#### ARTICLE 15

The International Committee shall draw up detailed regulations for organizing the work of the Bureau, and shall fix the fees to be paid for the extraordinary work already referred to in Article 6 of the Convention.

These fees shall be appropriated to perfecting the scientific material of the Bureau.

#### ARTICLE 16

All the communications of the International Committee with the Governments of the High Contracting Parties shall be made through the mediation of their diplomatic representatives at Paris.

In all matters requiring the intervention of a French administration, the Committee shall communicate with the French Ministry for Foreign Affairs.