#### ELEMENT XV - REVIEW CONFERENCE

## Draft Element

- (1) Five years after the entry into force of this Convention, or earlier if it is requested by a majority of Parties to the Convention by submitting a proposal to this effect to the Depositary, a conference of States Parties to the Convention should be held at Geneva, Switzerland, to review the operation of the Convention, with a view to assuring that the purposes of the Convention are being realized. Such review should take into account any new scientific and technological development relevant to the Convention.
- (2) Further review conferences should be held at intervals of five years thereafter, and at other times if requested by a majority of the States Parties to this Convention.

### ELEMENT XVI - DURATION AND WITHDRAWALS

# Draft Element

- (1) This Convention should be of unlimited duration.
- (2) Each State Party to this Convention should in exercising its national sovereignty have the right to withdraw from the Convention, if it decides that extraordinary events related to the subject matter of the Convention, have jeopardized its supreme interests. It should give notice of such withdrawal to the Depositary three months in advance. Such notice should include a statement of the extraordinary events it regards as having jeopardized its supreme interests.
- (3) The Depositary on its part should immediately inform the Security Council of the United Nations of the submission of a notice of withdrawal from a State Party to the Convention.

ELEMENT XVII - SIGNATURE, RATIFICATION; ACCESSION

#### Draft Element

- (1) This Convention should be open to all States for signature. Any State which does not sign the Convention before its entry into force in accordance with paragraph 3 of this Element should accede to it at any time.
- (2) This Convention should be subject to ratification by signatory States.

  Instruments of ratification or accession should be deposited with the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

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(3) This Convention should enter into force upon the deposit of instruments of ratification by ... Governments, in accordance with paragraph 2 of this Element.