

- (j) conducting regular communications checks and exercises, including the use of alternative means of communications for handling communication overloads during major search and rescue operations.

4. When conducting joint exercises, the Parties should apply the principles of this Agreement to the extent possible.

Article 10

Meetings of the Parties

The Parties shall meet on a regular basis in order to consider and resolve issues regarding practical cooperation. At these meetings they should consider issues including but not limited to:

- (a) reciprocal visits by search and rescue experts;
- (b) conducting joint search and rescue exercises and training;
- (c) possible participation of search and rescue experts as observers at national search and rescue exercises of any other Party;
- (d) preparation of proposals for the development of cooperation under this Agreement;
- (e) planning, development, and use of communication systems;
- (f) mechanisms to review and, where necessary, improve the application of international guidelines to issues concerning search and rescue in the Arctic; and
- (g) review of relevant guidance on Arctic meteorological services.