

- (a) their basic export tonnages or export entitlements, as appropriate 50 per cent
- (b) their total net exports
 - (i) to the free market 18 per cent
 - (ii) under special arrangements 7 per cent
- (c) their total production 25 per cent

The figures to be used for the purposes of (b) and (c) above shall be, for each factor, the average of the best two of the three preceding years for which figures are available.

5. Votes of importing Members shall be distributed among them in proportion to their net imports from the free market and under special arrangements, calculated separately according to the following formula:

- (a) Each importing Member shall have that portion of 900 votes which its average annual net imports from the free market over the preceding four years, disregarding the year of its lowest imports from the free market, bear to the total of such average imports from the free market of all importing Members;
- (b) Each importing Member shall have that portion of 100 votes which its imports under special arrangements for the preceding year bear to total imports under special arrangements of all importing Members for the preceding year.

6. Votes shall be distributed at the beginning of each quota year in accordance with the provisions of this article, which distribution shall remain in effect for a full quota year except as provided in paragraph 7 of this article.

7. Whenever the membership of the Organization, the territorial composition of a Member or the composition of the free market changes, or when any Member has its voting rights suspended or recovers its voting rights under any provision of this Agreement, the Council shall redistribute the total votes within the affected category or categories of Members on the basis of the formulae in this article.

ARTICLE 12

Voting procedure of the Council

1. Each Member shall be entitled to cast the number of votes it holds under article 11. It shall not be entitled to divide such votes.

2. By informing the Chairman in writing, any exporting Member may authorize any other exporting Member, and any importing Member may authorize any other importing Member, to represent its interests and to cast its votes at any meeting or meetings of the Council. A copy of such authorizations shall be examined by any