

## ARTICLE 4

The Partner Governments on their own behalf and on behalf of their National Bodies shall use the Council as a means of consultation on all matters that may have a substantial effect on other Partners through the provisions of this Agreement, and shall give due consideration to the recommendations and advice given by the Council.

## ARTICLE 5

Before taking action on a matter that may have a substantial effect on other National Bodies through the provisions of this Agreement:

- (a) a National Body shall furnish to the Council such particulars on the matter as the Council may prescribe; and
- (b) that National Body and the Partner Government concerned shall give due consideration to the recommendations and advice of the Council relating to that matter.

## ARTICLE 6

The principles of a parcours-based accounting system as modified by the Commonwealth preferential treatment shall be the basis upon which National Bodies shall account with one another for the interchange of international telecommunications traffic. The manner in which this shall be effected shall be determined by the Council in accordance with Article 7 of this Agreement.

## ARTICLE 7

For the purpose of this Agreement, the Council shall determine from time to time:

- (a) the parcours-based accounting system to be applied by National Bodies;
- (b) the manner in which National Bodies will implement or modify the parcours-based accounting system;
- (c) the manner in which the Commonwealth preferential treatment will be implemented or modified within the parcours-based accounting system;
- (d) the accounting procedures which are necessary to give effect to this Agreement;
- (e) the currencies or monetary units in which accounts are to be prepared;
- (f) the financial year;
- (g) the times and manner in which sums due from one National Body to another shall be paid.

## ARTICLE 8

National Bodies shall contribute to a programme of collaborative arrangements, the funding of which shall be determined by the Council as may be appropriate from time to time.