

and engaged in the taking of whales, the most complete biological information practicable with regard to each whale taken, and in any case on the following points:

- (a) Date of taking;
- (b) Place of taking;
- (c) Species;
- (d) Sex;
- (e) Length; measured, when taken out of water; estimated, if cut up in water;
- (f) When fetus is present, length and sex if ascertainable;
- (g) When practicable, information as to stomach contents.

2. The length referred to in sub-paragraphs (e) and (f) of this article shall be the length of a straight line taken from the tip of the snout to the notch between the flukes of the tail.

#### Article 11

Each high contracting party shall obtain from all factories, on land or afloat, under his jurisdiction, returns of the number of whales of each species treated at each factory and of the amounts of oil of each grade and the quantities of meal, guano and other products derived from them.

#### Article 12

Each of the high contracting parties shall communicate statistical information regarding all whaling operations under their jurisdiction to the international bureau for whaling statistics at Oslo. The information given shall comprise at least the particulars mentioned in Article 10 and: (1) the name and tonnage of each floating factory; (2) the number and aggregate tonnage of the whale catchers; (3) a list of the land stations which were in operation during the period concerned. Such information shall be given at convenient intervals not longer than one year.

#### Article 13

The obligation of a high contracting party to take measures to ensure the observance of the conditions of the present convention in his own territories and territorial waters, and by his vessels, shall not apply to those of his territories to which the convention does not apply, and the territorial waters adjacent thereto, or to vessels registered in such territories.

#### Article 14

The present convention, the French and English texts of which shall both be authoritative, shall remain open until the thirty-first of March, 1932, for signature on behalf of any member of the League of Nations or of any non-member state.

#### Article 15

The present convention shall be ratified. The instruments of ratification shall be deposited with the secretary-general of the League of Nations, who shall notify their receipt to all members of the League of Nations and non-member states indicating the dates of their deposit.

#### Article 16

As from the first of April, 1932, any member of the League of Nations and any non-member state, on whose behalf the convention has not been signed before that date, may accede thereto.

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The instruments of accession shall be deposited with the secretary-general of the League of Nations, who shall notify all the members of the League of Nations and non-member states of their deposit and the date thereof.

#### Article 17

The present convention shall enter into force on the ninetieth day following the receipt by the secretary-general of the League of Nations of ratifications or accessions on behalf of not less than eight members of the league or non-member states, including the Kingdom of Norway and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

As regards any member of the league or non-member state on whose behalf an instrument of ratification or accession is subsequently deposited, the convention shall enter into force on the ninetieth day after the date of the deposit of such instrument.

#### Article 18

If after the coming into force of the present convention the council of the League of Nations, at the request of any two members of the league or non-member states with regard to which the convention is then in force, shall convene a conference for the revision of the convention, the high contracting parties agree to be represented at any conference so convened.

#### Article 19

1. The present convention may be denounced after the expiration of three years from the date of its coming into force.

2. Denunciation shall be effected by a written notification addressed to the secretary-general of the League of Nations, who shall inform all the members of the league and the non-member states of each notification received and of the date of its receipt.

3. Each denunciation shall take effect six months after the receipt of its notification.

#### Article 20

1. Any high contracting party may, at the time of signature, ratification or accession, declare that, in accepting the present convention, he does not assume any obligations in respect of all or any of his colonies, protectorates, overseas territories or territories under suzerainty or mandate; and the present convention shall not apply to any territories named in such declaration.

2. Any high contracting party may give notice to the secretary-general of the League of Nations at any time subsequently that he desires that the convention shall apply to all or any of his territories which have been made the subject of a declaration under the preceding paragraph, and the convention shall apply to all the territories named in such notice ninety days after its receipt by the secretary-general of the League of Nations.

3. Any high contracting party may, at any time after the expiration of the period of three years mentioned in Article 19, declare that he desires that the present convention shall cease to apply to all or any of his colonies, protectorates, overseas territories or territories under suzerainty or mandate and the convention shall cease to apply to the