

4. The initial contribution of any Government acceding to this Agreement after the first Session of the Council shall be assessed proportionately to the number of votes held by its Delegate and to the number of full months between its accession and the beginning of the first crop-year for which it is assessed under the provisions of paragraph 3 of this Article, but the assessments already made upon other Governments shall not be altered for the current crop-year.

5. Each contracting Government shall pay to the Secretary of the Council its full contribution within six months of its assessment. Any contracting Government failing to pay its contribution within one year of its assessment shall forfeit its voting rights until its contribution is paid, but shall not be deprived of its other rights nor relieved of its obligations under this Agreement. The Council shall redistribute, under the provisions of Article XII, the votes of any country which has forfeited its voting rights.

6. The Council shall publish an audited statement of all its receipts and expenditures during each crop-year.

7. Each contracting Government shall give consideration to granting to the funds of the Council and to the salaries paid by the Council to its staff, treatment in its territory no less favorable than that granted by it to the funds of, and salaries paid by, other intergovernmental bodies of comparable status.

8. In the event of the termination of this Agreement, the Council shall provide for the settlement of its liabilities and the disposal of its assets.

## ARTICLE XVII

### *Relation to Other Agreements*

So long as this Agreement remains in force, it shall prevail over any provisions inconsistent therewith which may be contained in any other agreement previously concluded between any of the contracting Governments, provided that should any two contracting Governments be parties to an agreement, entered into prior to March 1, 1947, for the purchase and sale of wheat, the Governments concerned shall supply full particulars of transactions under such agreement so that the quantities, irrespective of prices involved, shall be recorded in the register of transactions maintained by the Council in accordance with the provisions of Article III and so count toward the fulfillment of obligations of importing countries and obligations of exporting countries.

## ARTICLE XVIII

### *Cooperation with Intergovernmental Organizations*

1. The Council shall make whatever arrangements are required to ensure cooperation with the appropriate organs of the United Nations and its specialized agencies.

2. If the Council finds that any terms of this Agreement are materially inconsistent with such requirements as the United Nations through its appropriate organs and specialized agencies may establish regarding intergovernmental commodity agreements, such inconsistency shall be deemed to be a circumstance affecting adversely the operation of this Agreement and the procedure prescribed in paragraphs 3, 4, and 5 of Article XXII shall be applied.