

CHAPTER 9

Duties of the Plenary Assembly

The duties of the Plenary Assembly shall be to approve for issue, to modify or to reject recommendations submitted to it by the Study Groups and to draw up lists of new questions to be studied, in accordance with paragraph 2 of Article 8 of the Convention. It shall submit to the Administrative Council a statement of the financial accounts of the Consultative Committee concerned.

CHAPTER 10

Meetings of the Plenary Assembly

1. The Plenary Assembly shall normally meet every two years, provided that a meeting shall take place about one year previous to the meeting of the relative Administrative Conference.

2. The date of the meeting of a Plenary Assembly may be advanced or postponed, with the approval of at least twelve participating countries, according to the state of progress of work of the Study Groups.

3. Each meeting of a Plenary Assembly shall be held in a place fixed by the previous meeting of the Plenary Assembly.

4. At each of these meetings, the Plenary Assembly shall be presided over by the Head of the Delegation of the country in which the meeting is held; the Chairman shall be assisted by Vice-Chairmen elected by the Plenary Assembly.

5. The Secretariat of the Plenary Assembly of a Consultative Committee shall be composed of the specialized Secretariat of that Committee, with the help, if necessary, of the personnel of the administration of the inviting Government and of the General Secretariat.

CHAPTER 11

Languages and Method of Voting in Sessions of the Plenary Assemblies

1. The languages used in the Plenary Meetings and in the official documents of the Consultative Committees shall be as provided in Article 15 of the Convention.

2. The Members which are authorized to vote at sessions of Plenary Assemblies of the Consultative Committees shall be as provided in Article 1, paragraph 3 (2) of the Convention. However, when a country is not represented by an administration, the representatives of the recognized private operating agencies of that member country shall, as a whole, and regardless of their number, be entitled to a single vote.

CHAPTER 12

Composition of Study Groups

The Plenary Assembly shall set up the necessary Study Groups to deal with questions to be studied; it shall designate the administrations, private operating agencies, international organizations and scientific and manufacturing organizations which shall take part in the work of the Study Groups; it shall name the Group Chairman who shall preside over each of the Study Groups.

CHAPTER 13

Treatment of Business

1. If a Study Group cannot solve a question by correspondence, the Group Chairman may, with the approval of his Administration suggest a meeting at a convenient place to discuss the question orally.