

III - GENERAL PROVISIONSARTICLE XVII

During the term of the present Agreement, an overall balance shall be aimed for with respect to financial participation as well as creative personnel, technicians, performers, and technical resources (studio and laboratory), taking into account the respective characteristics of each country.

The competent authorities of both countries shall examine the terms of implementation of this Agreement as necessary in order to resolve any difficulties arising from its application. They shall recommend at need possible amendments with a view to developing film and video cooperation in the best interests of both countries.

A Joint Commission is established to look after the implementation of this Agreement. The Joint Commission shall examine if this overall balance has been achieved and, in case of the contrary, shall determine the measures deemed necessary to establish such a balance. A meeting of the Joint Commission shall take place in principle once every two years and it shall meet alternately in the two countries. However, it may be convened for extraordinary sessions at the request of one or both competent authorities, particularly in the case of major amendments to the legislation or the regulations governing the film and video industries in one country or the other, or where the application of this Agreement presents serious difficulties. The Joint Commission shall meet within six (6) months following its convocation by one of the two Parties.

ARTICLE XVIII

The present Agreement will be applied from the day of its signature. It shall come into force when each Party has notified the other that its internal ratification procedures have been completed.

It shall be valid for a period of three (3) years from the date of its entry into force; a tacit renewal of the Agreement for like periods shall take place unless one or the other country gives written notice of termination six (6) months before the expiry date. Coproductions in progress at the time of notice of termination of the Agreement by either Party, shall continue to benefit fully until completion from the conditions of this Agreement. After expiry of the Agreement its terms shall continue to apply to the liquidation of receipts from completed coproductions.

This Agreement shall, as far as the Kingdom of the Netherlands is concerned, apply to the Kingdom in Europe, unless the notification, with respect to the entry into force, provided for in this article, states otherwise.

In case the notification states that the application of this Agreement is extended to a part of the Kingdom outside Europe, the modalities of the execution of the Agreement with respect to that part of the Kingdom will be agreed upon by the Parties in a protocol to this Agreement.