

Part 3—Adjustment of Guaranteed Quantities**ARTICLE IX***Adjustments in Case of Non-participation or Withdrawal of Countries*

1. In the event of any difference occurring between the total of the guaranteed purchases in Annex A to Article III and the total of the guaranteed sales in Annex B to Article III as a result of any country listed in Annex A or Annex B (a) not signing or (b) not depositing an instrument of acceptance of or (c) withdrawing under paragraph 5, 6 or 7 of Article XXII from or (d) being expelled under Article XIX from or (e) being found by the Council under Article XIX to be in default of the whole or part of its guaranteed quantity under this Agreement, the Council shall, without prejudice to the right of any country to withdraw from this Agreement under paragraph 6 of Article XXII, adjust the remaining guaranteed quantities so as to make the total in the one Annex equal to the total in the other Annex.

2. The adjustment under this Article shall, unless the Council decides otherwise by two-thirds of the votes cast by the exporting countries and two-thirds of the votes cast by the importing countries, be made by reducing *pro rata* the guaranteed quantities in Annex A or Annex B, as the case may be, by the amount necessary to make the total in the one Annex equal to the total in the other Annex.

3. In making adjustments under this Article, the Council shall keep in mind the general desirability of maintaining the total guaranteed purchases and the total guaranteed sales at the highest possible level.

ARTICLE X*Adjustment in Case of Short Crop or Necessity to Safeguard Balance of Payments or Monetary Reserves*

1. Any exporting or importing country which fears that it may be prevented, by a short crop in the case of an exporting country or the necessity to safeguard its balance of payments or monetary reserves in the case of an importing country, from carrying out its obligations under this Agreement in respect of a particular crop-year shall report the matter to the Council at the earliest possible date and apply to the Council to be relieved of the whole or a part of its obligations for that crop-year. An application made to the Council pursuant to this paragraph shall be heard without delay.

2. If the matter relates to a short crop, the Council shall, in dealing with the request for relief, review the reporting country's supply situation.

3. If the matter relates to balance of payments or monetary reserves, the Council shall seek and take into account, together with all facts which it considers relevant, the opinion of the International Monetary Fund, as far as the matter concerns a country which is a member of the Fund, on the existence and extent of the necessity referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article.

4. The Council shall, in dealing with a request for relief under this Article, adhere to the principle that the country concerned will to the maximum extent feasible, if it is an exporting country, make sales to meet its obligations under this Agreement and, if it is an importing country, make purchases to meet its obligations under this Agreement.