

*Article 9**Implementation of Commission Decisions*

1. Binding decisions by the Commission shall take effect in the following manner:
 - (a) the Chairperson of the Commission shall notify promptly in writing all members of the Commission of such a decision following its adoption by the Commission;
 - (b) the decision shall become binding upon all members of the Commission ninety (90) days after the date of transmittal specified in the Chairperson's notification of the adoption of the decision by the Commission, pursuant to subparagraph (a) above, unless otherwise specified in the decision;
 - (c) a member of the Commission may object to a decision solely on the grounds that the decision is inconsistent with the provisions of this Convention, the 1982 Convention or the 1995 Agreement, or that the decision unjustifiably discriminates in form or in fact against the objecting member;
 - (d) if a member of the Commission presents an objection, it shall so notify the Chairperson of the Commission in writing at least two weeks in advance of the date that the decision becomes binding in accordance with subparagraph (b) above; in this case, the decision shall not, to the extent stated, be binding upon that member; however, the decision shall remain binding on all other members unless the Commission decides otherwise;
 - (e) any member of the Commission that makes a notification under subparagraph (d) above shall specify whether the decision is inconsistent with the provisions of this Convention, the 1982 Convention or the 1995 Agreement, or unjustifiably discriminates in form or in fact against that member and, at the same time, provide a written explanation of the grounds for its position. The member must also adopt and implement alternative measures that are equivalent in effect to the decision to which it has objected and that have the same date of application;
 - (f) the Chairperson shall promptly circulate to all members of the Commission details of any notification and explanation received in accordance with subparagraphs (d) and (e) above;
 - (g) in the event that any member of the Commission invokes the procedure set out in subparagraphs (d) and (e) above, a Commission meeting shall take place at the request of any other member to review the decision to which the objection has been presented. The Commission shall, at its expense, invite to that meeting two or more experts who are nationals of non-members of the Commission and who have sufficient knowledge of international law related to fisheries and of the operation of regional fisheries management organizations to provide advice to the Commission on the matter in question. The selection and activities of these experts shall be in accordance with procedures to be adopted by the Commission;