international procedures within the framework of the United Nations and in accordance with its Charter. These international procedures include the services of appropriate international organizations, as well as a Consultative Committee of Experts, as provided for in Element V.

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## Complaints Procedure

- 1. Any State Party to this Convention which believes that any other State Party is acting in breach of the obligations deriving from the provisions of the Convention, and is not satisfied with the results of the consultations provided for under Element III, may lodge a complaint with the Consultative Committee of Experts, as provided for in Element V. Such a complaint should where possible include any supporting evidence as well as a request for its consideration by the Committee. Such a request may include a request for an on-site inspection, as set out in Annex II sub-paragraph 4.
- 2. Each State Party to this Convention undertakes to co-operate in carrying out any investigation which the Consultative Committee may initiate, in accordance with its procedures as set out in Annex II on the basis of the complaint received by the Committee. The Committee should inform States Parties to the Convention of the results of the Investigation.
- 3. If a State Party receiving a request for on-site inspection from the Committee states that it is not prepared to allow an on-site inspection, it shall substantiate its decision. If the Committee still considers that an on-site inspection is warranted it may request additional information or a reconsideration of the decision in the light of additional relevant information that either party has provided. If the Requesting Party or the Committee remains unsatisfied with the substantiation for the decision it may bring the matter to the Security Council of the United Nations.

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## Consultative Committee

- 1. For the purpose of providing a permanent body to ensure the availability of international data and expert advice for assessing the implementation of and continued compliance with the provisions of this Convention a Consultative Committee of Experts shall be established at the entry into force of this Convention.
- 2. Each State Party to this Convention undertakes to co-operate with the Committee in carrying out its tasks.
- 3. The work of the Committee shall be organized in such a way as to permit it to perform the functions set forth in Annex II in an effective, fair and impartial manner.
- 4. The functions, organization and procedures of the Committee are set forth in Annex II.