amendment during which period no objection to the proposed amendment has been communicated to the Secretary General of the Council by a State which is a Contracting Party.

4. If an objection to the proposed amendment has been communicated to the Secretary General of the Council by a State which is a Contracting Party before the expiry of the period of two years specified in paragraph 3 of this Article, the amendment shall be deemed not to have been accepted and shall have no effect whatsoever.

## Article 21

- 1. Any Contracting Party ratifying or acceding to this Convention shall be deemed to have accepted any amendments thereto which have entered into force at the date of deposit of its instrument of ratification or accession.
- 2. Any Contracting Party which accepts an Annex shall be deemed to have accepted any amendments to that Annex which have entered into force at the date on which it notifies its acceptance to the Secretary General of the Council.

## Article 22

The Secretary General of the Council shall notify the Contracting Parties to this Convention, the other signatory States, those States Members of the Council that are not Contracting Parties to this Convention, and the Secretary General of the United Nations of:

- (a) signatures, ratifications, accessions and notifications under Article 15 of this Convention;
- (b) the date of entry into force of this Convention and of each of the Annexes in accordance with Article 16:
- (c) notification received in accordance with Article 17;
- (d) denunciations under Article 19;