

SECTION III - THE GLOBAL MONITORING SYSTEM

Article 12. Each State Party undertakes to participate in the establishment and the operation of an international monitoring system. This obligation includes the establishment and operation of a two-tiered network of high quality seismological stations. The first tier, referred to as a network of Alpha stations, is established and operated by the Agency and provides uninterrupted data transmitted on-line to the International Data Center. The second tier, referred to as a network of Beta stations, is established and operated by the States Parties and provides data in near real time upon request by the International Data Center.

The States Parties are also obliged to participate in the establishment and operation of a network of high quality stations to measure radionuclides in the atmosphere. The stations are established and operated by the Agency and provide data promptly to the International Data Centre.

The States Parties are also committed to the establishment and operation of a network of high quality hydroacoustic stations in the oceans. These stations are established and operated by the Agency and provide uninterrupted data transmitted on-line to the International Data Center.

Article 13. Each State Party shall have the right to receive all data and information available from the International Monitoring Systems and shall make the necessary arrangement with the Agency through its National Authority.