

8. Any decision of substance of the Consultative Committee and the Executive Council requires a [two-third majority] [consensus], any other decision requires a simple majority.^{*/} [All decisions in the Consultative Committee and in the Executive Council shall be taken by a two-third majority.]

9. The States Parties to this Convention shall establish a Technical Secretariat that shall provide administrative support to the Consultative Committee and the Executive Council and render technical assistance to States Parties and the Executive Council.

10. Further functions and the organization of the Consultative Committee and its subsidiary organs are specified in Annex ...

^{*/} An opinion was expressed that the concept of consensus encompasses that in case the Executive Council is unable to reach a consensus on a given subject matter, all views expressed should be made known to the States Parties of the Convention.