

2. The Commission "shall maintain its headquarters at El Auja" but hold its meetings wherever and whenever required for the effective conduct of its work.
3. "To the greatest extent possible" decisions of the Mixed Armistice Commission "shall be based on the principle of unanimity".
4. Otherwise decisions are to be taken by a majority vote of members present and voting. Decisions of the Commission are to be final except for questions of principle if appealed within a week. Such appeals are to be considered by a Special Committee composed of the Chief of Staff of the Truce Supervision Organization and one Israeli and one Egyptian senior officer. Decisions on these appeals reached by the Special Committee are final.
5. Rules of procedure.
6. The Commission is empowered to employ observers, who may be drawn from the military organizations of the parties or from the Truce Supervision Organization or from both. United Nations observers are to remain under the command of the Chief of Staff of the Truce Supervision Organization, and assignments given to them are subject to the approval of the chairman of the Mixed Armistice Commission.
7. Claims or complaints are to be referred immediately to the Commission through its chairman. The Commission takes appropriate action by means of its observer and investigations machinery "with a view to equitable and mutually satisfactory settlement".
8. The chairman's interpretation of the meaning of a particular provision of the agreement prevails, subject to the right of appeal. "The Commission, in its discretion and as the need arises, may from time to time recommend to the parties modifications in the provisions of this agreement."
9. Reports are made by the Commission to both parties and to the Secretary-General of the United Nations.
10. Members of the Commission and its observers are to be accorded such freedom of movement and access in the areas covered by the agreement as the Commission considers necessary. If the vote on a decision of this kind is not unanimous, however, only United Nations observers are to be employed.
11. Expenses of the Commission, other than those relating to United Nations observers, are shared equally by the two parties.

Article Eleven

"No provision of this agreement shall in any way prejudice the rights, claims and positions of either party hereto in the ultimate peaceful settlement of the Palestine question."

Article Twelve

1. The agreement to come into force upon being signed.
- "2. This agreement, having been negotiated and concluded in pursuance of the resolution of the Security Council of 16 November 1948 calling for the establishment of an armistice in order to eliminate the threat to the peace in Palestine and to facilitate the transition from the present truce to permanent peace in Palestine, shall remain in force until a peaceful settlement between the parties is achieved, except as provided in paragraph 4 of this article.