investigate any matter so referred to them and shall make appropriate recommendation mendations to the contracting parties which they consider to be concerned give a ruling on the matter, as appropriate. The CONTRACTING PARTING may consult with contracting parties, with the Economic and Social Council the United Nations and with any appropriate inter-governmental organization in cases where they consider such consultation necessary. If the CONTRACTION OF THE CONTR ING PARTIES consider that the circumstances are serious enough to justing their their consideration the constitution in the co such action, they may authorize a contracting party or parties to suspend application to any other contracting party or parties to suspend of such obligations concessions under this Agreement as they determine to be appropriate in circumstances. If the application to any contracting party of any obligation or concession is in fact suspended, that contracting party of any other free pot later then sixty and the be free. not later than sixty days after such action is taken, to advise the Secretary General of the United Nations in writing of its intention to withdraw from Agreement and such withdrawal shall take effect upon the expiration of sixth days from the day on which written notice of such withdrawal is received ies, en vue du maintien declarpaix étude la séculité internationalemid

PART III

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Territorial Application—Frontier Traffic—Customs Unions

1. The provisions of this Agreement shall apply to the metropolitan custom tories of the contracting particles. territories of the contracting parties and to any other customs territories respect of which this Agreement I respect of which this Agreement has been accepted under Article XXVII or being applied under Article XXVIII being applied under Article XXXIII or pursuant to the Protocol of Provisional Application. Each such systems to the Protocol of Provisional Application. Application. Each such customs territory shall, exclusively for the purposes the territorial application of this Application of the purposes the territorial application of this Agreement, be treated as though it were proportion party. Provided that the contracting party; Provided that the provisions of this paragraph shall not the construed to create any rights or obligations. construed to create any rights or obligations as between two or more custoff territories in respect of which this Armidel territories in respect of which this Agreement has been accepted under Article XXVI or is being applied under Article XXVIII XXVI or is being applied under Article XXXIII or pursuant to the Protocol of Provisional Application by a sixel of Provisional Application by a single contracting party.

2. For the purposes of this Agreement a customs territory shall be under to mean any territory with stood to mean any territory with respect to which separate tariffs or regulations of commerce are maintained for regulations of commerce are maintained for a substantial part of the trade of such territory with other territories

3. The provisions of this Agreement shall not be construed to prevent:

(a) advantages accorded by any contracting party to adjacent countries in order to facilitate frontier track

(b) advantages accorded to the trade with the Free Territory of Triesto by countries contiguous to that territory by countries contiguous to that territory, provided that such advantage are not in conflict with the Treatient, are not in conflict with the Treaties of Peace arising out of the Second World War.

4. The contracting parties recognize the desirability of increasing freedom rade by the development, through walks to of trade by the development, through voluntary agreements, of closer integration between the economies of the countries tion between the economies of the countries parties to such agreements.

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