

period of six months referred to in paragraph 3 of this Article, that date shall be taken to be the date of expiry of the said six-month period;

- (ii) the date of expiry of the nine-month period referred to in paragraph 4 of this Article.

(7) Any amendment deemed to be accepted shall enter into force six months after the date on which it was deemed to be accepted.

(8) The Secretary of the Council shall, as soon as possible, notify all Contracting Parties and other signatory States of any objection to the recommended amendment made in accordance with paragraph 3(a), and of any communication received in accordance with paragraph 3(b), of this Article. He shall subsequently inform all the Contracting Parties and other signatory States whether the Contracting Party or Parties which have sent such communication raise an objection to the recommended amendment or accept it.

(9) Any State ratifying or acceding to the present 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.

Article XXIII

(1) Any State may, at the time of signing the present Convention without reservation of ratification or of depositing its instrument of ratification or accession or at any time thereafter, declare by notification given to the Secretary General of the Council that the present Convention shall extend to all or any of the territories for whose international relations it is responsible or for which it assumes international responsibility. Such notification shall take effect three months after the date of the receipt thereof by the Secretary General of the Council provided, however, that the Convention shall not apply to the territories named in the notification before the Convention has entered into force for the State concerned.

(2) Any State which has made a notification under paragraph 1 of this Article extending the present Convention to any territory for whose international relations it is responsible or for which it assumes international responsibility may notify the Secretary General of the Council, in accordance with the provisions of Article XXI of the present Convention, that the territory in question will no longer apply the Convention.

Article XXIV

No reservation to this Convention shall be permitted.

Article XXV

The Secretary General of the Council shall notify all Contracting Parties, the other signatory States, the Secretary General of the United Nations and the Director General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO), of:

- (a) signatures, ratifications and accessions under Article XIX of the present Convention;
- (b) the date of entry into force of the present Convention in accordance with Article XX;