

56. The participating Governments undertake to consult with the United Nations and the appropriate specialized agencies at such times and in such manner as may be considered desirable, with a view to defining the relationship which may in future exist and to ensuring effective co-operation between the Commission, including its auxiliary and subsidiary bodies, and the appropriate organs of the United Nations and specialized agencies dealing with economic and social matters.

57. The Commission may make recommendations to the participating Governments as to the manner in which effect can best be given to the principles stated in this Article.

ARTICLE XVI

HEADQUARTERS

58. The permanent headquarters of the Commission and its auxiliary and subsidiary bodies shall be located within the territorial scope of the Commission at such place as the Commission may select. The Commission may establish branch offices and, except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, may make provision for the carrying on of any part of its work or the work of its auxiliary and subsidiary bodies at such place or places within or without the territorial scope of the Commission as it considers will most effectively achieve the objectives for which it is established. The Commission shall select the site of the permanent headquarters within six months after this Agreement comes into force. Pending the establishment of its permanent headquarters, it shall have temporary headquarters in or near Sydney, Australia.

ARTICLE XVII

SAVING CLAUSE

59. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to conflict with the existing or future constitutional relations between any participating Government and its territories or in any way to affect the constitutional authority and responsibility of the territorial administrations.

ARTICLE XVIII

ALTERATION OF AGREEMENT

60. The provisions of this Agreement may be amended by consent of all the participating Governments.

ARTICLE XIX

WITHDRAWAL

61. After the expiration of five years from the coming into force of this Agreement a participating Government may withdraw from the Agreement on giving one year's notice to the Commission.

62. If any participating Government ceases to administer non-self-governing territories within the scope of the Commission, that Government shall so notify the Commission and shall be deemed to have withdrawn from the Agreement as from the close of the then current calendar year.

63. Notwithstanding the withdrawal of a participating Government this Agreement shall continue in force as between the other participating Governments.