- (5) At all meetings of the Board representatives of the Departments of Industries and Commerce and Internal Affairs shall be entitled to be present to act as observers with the right to take part in all discussions but not to exercise any vote. Notices of all meetings of the Board shall be given to the said Departments accordingly to enable such representatives to be appointed from time to time.
- (6) A meeting of the Board may be called at any time by the Chairman and shall be called at any time by the Secretary on the request in writing of any two members of the Board.
- (7) Any resolution proposed at any meeting of the Board (other than in respect of questions submitted to the Board as an arbitration tribunal) shall be deemed to be carried if there be recorded not more than one dissentient vote of the members of the Board other than the Chairman. The quorum necessary for the transaction of business shall be seven members apart from the Chairman and in the event of any Member of the Board being unable to attend a meeting he shall appoint in writing a substitute for that particular meeting, such substitute to be entitled to exercise the full rights of a member for the time being. If at any meeting the quorum necessary shall not be present within thirty minutes after the time appointed the Chairman may adjourn the meeting to such time not earlier than twentyfour hours, and place as he may deem fit and at the adjourned meeting the members then present shall form a quorum for the transaction of business at such adjourned meeting, and any resolution shall be deemed to be carried if there be not more than one dissentient vote recorded.
- (8) (a) On any dispute coming before the Board to be dealt with pursuant to its arbitration functions, the same shall be dealt with in the first instance by the Board either as a whole or through a standing committee or a committee ad hoc (the Chairman of the Board to be a member of and the Chairman of any such Committee) with the object of endeavouring by conciliation to bring about an amicable settlement between the parties. In the event of the Board being unable to bring about such a settlement the dispute shall thereupon be referred for final determination to two arbitrators and an umpire, each party to the dispute having the right to appoint one arbitrator whether a member of the Board or not and the Chairman of the Board to act as the umpire and to sit with the arbitrators on the hearing of the dispute. Subject to the provisions of the next succeeding paragraph hereof, the arbitration shall be conducted in all respects as a submission to arbitration under the Arbitration Act, 1908, and the Board may before the arbitrators enter upon the reference require the parties to prepare a formal statement of the questions to be decided by the arbitrators. Any party to a dispute shall have the right to appear before the Board and before the arbitrators by counsel.
- (b) The Board may from time to time formulate rules of procedure for the conduct of proceedings under this clause and in the event of the Board failing to resolve upon such rules the Chairman may formulate the same in any case or generally as he sees fit and any such rules shall govern such proceedings.
- (c) For the purposes of this clause a meeting of the Board attended by six members (inclusive of the Chairman) shall be deemed to be validly constituted and shall be competent to pass resolutions by a majority of the votes of the persons present, for which purpose the Chairman shall have a deliberative as well as a casting vote Provided that if at any meeting the quorum shall not be present within thirty minutes after the time appointed the Chairman may adjourn the meeting to such time not earlier than twentyfour hours and place as he may deem fit and at the adjourned meeting the members then present shall form a quorum for the transaction of business at such adjourned meeting.
- (9) Whereas a standard form of film renting contract approved by the Minister of Internal Affairs pursuant to Section 10 of the Cinematograph Films Amendment Act 1934 is in operation in the said Industry and such standard contract makes provision for the submission to arbitration of certain matters arising out of a contract existing between a renter and an exhibitor; And whereas it is the intention of the parties not only that all such submissions to arbitration should be deemed to be references to the Board for the purpose of the exercise of the Board's arbitration functions as hereinbefore set out but also that the provisions of the said standard form of film renting contract should be extended so as to provide that all disputes of whatsoever nature arising under any film renting contract shall be disposed of by arbitration on a reference to the Board in matter aforesaid NOW Therefore the parties expressly agree that a formal request shall be made to the said Minister for the variation of the said standard form of film renting contract accordingly and the execution of these presents by the said parties shall be deemed to be a joint application to the said Minister for his approval to such variation.
- (10) It is further declared as one of the intentions of the parties that the Board shall function as a body representative of the said industry for the purpose of advising the said Minister or other Government Authority on matters arising in respect of the administration of the Cinematograph Films Act 1928 and its amendments or other statutory enactments affecting the industry and the parties agree that the Board shall have power to act accordingly if and whenever the said Minister of other Government Authority refers any matter or matters to the Board for such advice AND the parties further agree that the Board shall have authority to make such representations to the Minister from time to time as it thinks fit either for the securing of statutory recognition of its functions as an advisory body accordingly or for the holding in abeyance of the functions of the Advisory Committee referred to in Section 41 of the said Act whilst the Board remains in existence.