

(ii) in respect of wheat, such information as may be available as to the type, class, grade and quality, and the quantities relating thereto;

(iii) in respect of flour, such information as may be available to identify the quality of the flour and the quantities relating to each separate quality;

(b) member countries when exporting on a regular basis, and such other member countries as the Council shall decide, shall send to the Executive Secretary such information relating to prices of commercial and, where available, special transactions in such descriptions, classes, types, grades and qualities of wheat and wheat flour as the Council may require.

(c) the Council shall obtain regular information on currently prevailing transportation costs and member countries shall to the extent practicable report such supplementary information as the Council may require.

(10) The Council shall make rules of procedure for the reports and records referred to in this Article. Those rules shall prescribe the frequency and the manner in which those reports shall be made and shall prescribe the duties of member countries with regard thereto. The Council shall also make provision for the amendment of any records or statements kept by it, including provision for the settlement of any dispute arising in connexion therewith. If any member country repeatedly and unreasonably fails to make reports as required by this Article, the Executive Committee shall arrange consultations with that country to remedy the situation.

ARTICLE 17

Estimates of requirements and availability of wheat

(1) By 1 October in the case of Northern Hemisphere countries and 1 February in the case of Southern Hemisphere countries, each importing country shall notify the Council of its estimate of its commercial requirements of wheat from exporting countries in that crop year. Any importing country may thereafter notify the Council of any changes it may desire to make in its estimate.

(2) By 1 October in the case of Northern Hemisphere countries and 1 February in the case of Southern Hemisphere countries, each exporting country shall notify the Council of its estimate of the wheat it will have available for export in that crop year. Any exporting country may thereafter notify the Council of any changes it may desire to make in its estimate.

(3) All estimates notified to the Council shall be used for the purpose of the administration of this Convention and may only be made available to exporting and importing countries on such conditions as the Council may prescribe. Estimates submitted in accordance with this Article shall in no way be binding.

(4) Exporting and importing countries shall be free to fulfill their obligations under this Convention through private trade channels or otherwise. Nothing in this Convention shall be construed to exempt any private trader from any laws or regulations to which he is otherwise subject.

(5) The Council may, at its discretion, require exporting and importing countries to co-operate together to ensure that an amount of