

the exporting and importing countries. The contribution of each such country for each crop year shall be in the proportion which the number of its votes bears to the total of the votes of the exporting and importing countries at the beginning of that crop year.

(2) At its first Session after this Convention comes into force, the Council shall approve its budget for the period ending 30 June 1969 and assess the contribution to be paid by each exporting and importing country.

(3) The Council shall, at a Session during the second half of each crop year, approve its budget for the following crop year and assess the contribution to be paid by each exporting and importing country for that crop year.

(4) The initial contribution of any exporting or importing country acceding to this Convention under paragraph (2) of Article 38 shall be assessed by the Council on the basis of the votes to be distributed to it and the period remaining in the current crop year, but the assessments made upon other exporting and importing countries for the current crop year shall not be altered.

(5) Contributions shall be payable immediately upon assessment. Any exporting or importing country failing to pay its contribution within one year of its assessment shall forfeit its voting rights until its contribution is paid, but shall not be relieved of its obligations under this Convention, nor shall it be deprived of any of its rights under this Convention unless the Council so decides.

(6) The Council shall, each crop year, publish an audited statement of its receipts and expenditures in the previous crop year.

(7) The Council shall, prior to its dissolution, provide for the settlement of its liabilities and the disposal of its records and assets.

ARTICLE 35

Co-operation with other intergovernmental organizations

(1) The Council may make whatever arrangements are desirable for consultation and co-operation with the appropriate organs of the United Nations and its specialized agencies and with other intergovernmental organizations.

(2) If the Council finds that any terms of this Convention are materially inconsistent with such requirements as may be laid down by the United Nations or through its appropriate organs and specialized agencies regarding intergovernmental commodity agreements, the inconsistency shall be deemed to be a circumstance affecting adversely the operation of this Convention and the procedure prescribed in paragraphs (3), (4) and (5) of Article 41 shall be applied.

PART IV—FINAL PROVISIONS

ARTICLE 36

Signature

This Convention shall be open for signature in Washington from 15 October 1967 until and including 30 November 1967

(a) by the Governments of Argentina, Australia, Canada, Denmark, Finland, Japan, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland, the United