

ARTICLE 41

Duration, amendment and withdrawal

(1) This Convention shall remain in force until and including 30 June 1971.

(2) The Council shall, at such time as it considers appropriate, communicate to the member countries its recommendations regarding renewal or replacement of this Convention. The Council may invite any Government of a Member of the United Nations or the specialized agencies not party to this Convention which has a substantial interest in the international trade in wheat to participate in any of its discussions under this paragraph.

(3) The Council may recommend an amendment of this Convention to the member countries.

(4) The Council may fix a time within which each member country shall notify the Government of the United States of America whether or not it accepts the amendment. The amendment shall become effective upon its acceptance by exporting countries which hold two-thirds of the votes of the exporting countries and by importing countries which hold two-thirds of the votes of the importing countries.

(5) Any member country which has not notified the Government of the United States of America of its acceptance of an amendment by the date on which such amendment becomes effective may, after giving such written notice of withdrawal to the Government of the United States of America as the Council may require in each case, withdraw from this Convention at the end of the current crop year, but shall not thereby be released from any obligations under this Convention which have not been discharged by the end of that crop year. Any such withdrawing country shall not be bound by the provisions of the amendment occasioning its withdrawal.

(6) Any member country which considers its interests to be seriously prejudiced by the non-participation in this Convention of any Government listed in Article 36(a) may withdraw from this Convention by giving written notice of withdrawal to the Government of the United States of America before 1 July 1968. If an extension of time has been granted by the Council under Article 37 or 38, notice of withdrawal in accordance with this paragraph may be given before the expiry of 14 days after the extension granted.

(7) Any member country which considers its national security to be endangered by the outbreak of hostilities may withdraw from this Convention by giving thirty days' written notice of withdrawal to the Government of the United States of America or may apply in the first instance to the Council for the suspension of any or all of its obligations under this Convention.

(8) Any exporting country which considers its interests to be seriously prejudiced by the withdrawal from this Convention of any importing country holding not less than 50 votes or any importing country which considers its interests to be seriously prejudiced by the withdrawal from this Convention of any exporting country holding not less than 50 votes may withdraw from this Convention by giving written notice of withdrawal to the Government of the United States of America before the expiry of 14 days from the withdrawal of the country which is considered to cause such serious prejudice.