

SIXTH COMMITTEE: ORGANIZATION

TEXT OF ARTICLE 95 (AMENDMENTS) AS APPROVED ON SECOND READING

Article 95

Amendments

1. Any amendment to this Charter which does not alter the obligations of Members shall become effective upon approval by the Conference by the affirmative votes of two-thirds of the Members.
2. Any amendment which alters the obligations of Members shall, after receiving the approval of the Conference by the affirmative votes of two-thirds of the Members present and voting, become effective for each Member accepting the amendment upon the ninetieth day after two-thirds of the Members have notified the Director-General of their acceptance, and thereafter for each remaining Member, on acceptance by it. The Conference may, in its resolution approving an amendment under this paragraph, determine, by the same two-thirds majority, that the amendment is of such a nature that all Members, which have not accepted it within a specified period after the amendment has become effective, shall be suspended from membership in the Organization; Provided that at any time, the Conference may, by the affirmative votes of two-thirds of the Members present and voting, determine the conditions under which this suspension shall be waived with respect to any such Member.
3. A Member not accepting an amendment under paragraph 2 of this Article shall be free to withdraw from the Organization at any time after the amendment has become effective, upon the expiration of sixty days from the day on which written notice of such withdrawal, which may be given at any time, is received by the Director-General; Provided that the withdrawal of any Member suspended under paragraph 2 of this Article shall be effective upon receipt of written notice of withdrawal by the Director-General.
4. The Conference shall, by the affirmative votes of two-thirds of the Members present and voting, establish rules with respect to the reinstatement of Members suspended under the provisions of paragraph 2 of this Article and any other rules required for carrying out the provisions of this Article, including the determination whether paragraph 1 or paragraph 2 would apply.

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