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Article 3

Observers

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Paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7. Amend as follows:

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1. Postal Administrations in Asia and the Pacific which are member countries of the Universal Postal Union, but not members of the APPU, shall be invited as observers at the meetings of the Council, and may participate in the deliberations thereof, but shall not be entitled to vote.

2. The following shall be invited to send representatives to the meetings of the Council to observe in an advisory capacity:

A. Universal Postal Union

B. Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific;

C. United Nations Development Program.

3. The observers referred to in paragraph 2 above shall not be entitled to vote but may take the floor with the Chairman's permission.

4. Upon agreement by a majority of members of the Council, the following may be invited to send representatives to observe the meetings of the Council or sessions thereof:

A. Other Restricted Unions of the Universal Postal Union;

B. Member-countries of the Universal Postal Union which are not entitled to membership in the Asian-Pacific Postal Union;

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C. Postal administrations of countries which are non-members of the Universal Postal Union, of

non-self-governing territories and of other areas in Asia and the Pacific.

D. Representatives of the United Nations or any of its specialised agencies other than those referred to in paragraph 2 above.

E. Any other international organization having an interest in the work of the Union.

5. The observers referred to in paragraph 4 above shall not be entitled to vote but may take the floor at/with the Chairman's invitation/permission.

6. The invitation for the participation of observers as prescribed in paragraph 1, paragraph 2 and paragraph 4 above shall be in accordance with Article 105 paragraph 6 of the General Regulations.

7. To facilitate free and frank discussion amongst APPU members, the Chairman may, with the agreement of the Council, declare the discussion of certain agenda items closed. Observers and other invitees are not permitted to be present during the discussion of closed agenda items.

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Article 4

Officers of the Council

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Amend as follows:

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<p>1. In its first session which is opened by the Chairman of the last Congress, the Council elects the Chairman and Vice-Chairman who, together with the Secretary General, comprise the officers of the Council and hold office until the conclusion of the next Congress.</p>	<p>1. In its first session which is opened by the / ... / <u>Chair</u> of the last Congress, the Council elects the / ... / <u>Chair of the Council</u> and / ... / <u>Vice-Chair of the Council</u> who, together with the Secretary General, comprise the officers of the Council and hold office until the conclusion of the next Congress.</p>
<p>2. The Chairman convenes the annual meetings of the Council after the first one, directs the discussion and, taking account of the observations subsequently formulated, approves the minutes of the preceding sessions. He / she also has general supervision of the work and activity of the Council. In the absence of the Chairman, the ViceChairman takes over as Acting Chairman.</p>	<p>2. The / ... / <u>Chair of the Council</u> convenes the annual meetings of the Council after the first one, directs the discussion and, taking account of the observations subsequently formulated, approves the minutes of the preceding sessions. / ... / <u>The Chair</u> also has general supervision of the work and activity of the Council. In the absence of the / ... / <u>Chair</u>, the / ... / <u>Vice-Chair of the Council</u> takes over as Acting / ... / <u>Chair</u>.</p>
<p>3. In accordance with Article 106, paragraph 9 (H) and Article 115 paragraph 2 of the General Regulations, the Chairman of the Council establishes, upon consultation with the Secretary General, the time and place where the member- countries assemble prior to each Universal Postal Congress.</p>	<p>3. In accordance with Article 106, paragraph 9 (H) and Article 115, paragraph 2 of the General Regulations, the / ... / <u>Chair</u> of the Council establishes, upon consultation with the Secretary General, the time and place where the member-countries assemble prior to each Universal Postal Congress.</p>

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Article 5

Secretary General

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<p>1. The Director of the APPU Bureau assumes the functions of Secretary General of the Council and takes part in its deliberations without the right to vote. However if the Secretary General is indisposed or is unable to attend the meeting due to any exigency, he /she may designate another official of the Bureau to act as Secretary General for purposes of the deliberations only.</p>	<p>1. The Director of the APPU Bureau assumes the functions of Secretary General of the Council and takes part in its deliberations without the right to vote. However, if the Secretary General is indisposed or is unable to attend the meeting due to any exigency, / ... / they may designate another official of the Bureau to act as Secretary General for purposes of the deliberations only.</p>
<p>2. The Secretary General is charged with :</p>	<p>2. The Secretary General is charged with:</p>
<p>A. drawing up the minutes of the session;</p>	<p>A. drawing up the minutes of the session;</p>
<p>B. drawing up the summary reports of the meetings provided for in Article 106 paragraph 13 of the General Regulations, and sending them, after approval by the Chairman, to the administrations of the member- countries of the Union;</p>	<p>B. drawing up the summary reports of the meetings provided for in Article 106, paragraph 13 of the General Regulations, and sending them, after approval by the / ... / Chair of the Council, to the administrations of the member-countries of the Union;</p>
<p>C. preparing the report on the whole of the activities of the Council envisaged in Article 106 paragraph 14 of the General Regulations and sending the same, after approval by the Council, to the administrations of the member- countries of the Union at least one month before the opening of the Congress;</p>	<p>C. preparing the report on the whole of the activities of the Council envisaged in Article 106, paragraph 14 of the General Regulations and sending the same, after approval by the Council, to the administrations of the member- countries of the Union at least one month before the opening of the Congress;</p>
<p>D. serving as a medium of liaison, information, inquiry and training for the member-countries of the Union on those matters entrusted to him/her by the Council for the purpose of implementing Article 106 paragraph 9(A) of the General Regulations.</p>	<p>D. serving as a medium of liaison, information, inquiry and training for the member-countries of the Union on those matters entrusted / ... / to them / ... / by the Council for the purpose of implementing Article 106, paragraph 9(A) of the General Regulations / ... / ;</p>
<p>E. organising in the interval of sessions, in</p>	<p>E. organising in the interval of sessions, in</p>

accordance with directions from the Chairman and, if necessary, after agreement of the Council, the representation of the Union at meetings of the Universal Postal Union and its bodies, other Restricted Postal Unions and other international organisations;

F. settling after consultation with the Chairman, the pending business of the Council;

and

G. drawing up communications and maintenance of records.

3. The Secretary General may be directed by the Chairman or by the Council itself to study certain special matters according to his / her job description and, in order to simplify the work, appropriate functions may be delegated to him / her.

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F. settling, after consultation with the / ... / **Chair of the Council**, the pending business of the Council;

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3. The Secretary General may be directed by the / ... / **Chair of the Council** or by the Council itself to study certain special matters according to / ... / **their** job description and, in order to simplify the work, appropriate functions may be delegated to / ... / **them**.

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Article 6

Sessions

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Amend as follows:

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<p>1. The Council establishes the approximate date of its next annual session. If the circumstances so require, its Chairman, after advice from the Secretary General, may modify the date fixed, subject to notification in due course of the change to the members of the Council.</p>	<p>1. The Council establishes the approximate date of its next annual session. If the circumstances so require, / ... / <u>the Chair of the Council</u>, after advice from the Secretary General, may modify the date fixed, subject to notification in due course of the change to the members of the Council.</p>
<p>2. Between ordinary sessions, the Council may be convened, as a general rule at the place where the Bureau is situated, by the Chairman at the request of a two-thirds majority of the member- countries of the Union. The date is established by the Chairman after advice from the Secretary General.</p>	<p>2. Between ordinary sessions, the Council may be convened, as a general rule at the place where the Bureau is situated, by the / ... / <u>Chair of the Council</u> at the request of a two-thirds majority of the member- countries of the Union. The date is established by the / ... / <u>Chair</u> after advice from the Secretary General.</p>
<p>3. In accordance with Article 106, paragraph 11 of the General Regulations, consultations and decisions of the Council may be undertaken by correspondence when necessary.</p>	<p>3. In accordance with Article 106, paragraph 11 of the General Regulations, consultations and decisions of the Council may be undertaken by correspondence when necessary.</p>

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Article 7

Agenda

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Paragraph 1. Amend as follows:

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1. The Chairman establishes, upon proposal or after advice from the Secretary General, the provisional agenda of each session. This agenda is communicated to the members of the Council at the same time as the convocation of the sessions.

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Article 9

Committees, Sub-Committees, Working Groups of the Council

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Paragraph 2. Amend as follows:

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2. The Chairman of the Council, establishes during the session of the Council, after consultation with the Chairman of the Committees, Sub-Committees or Working Groups and the Secretary General, the schedule of meeting to be held by the Committees, Sub Committees Working Groups until the next sessions.

Proposed Text

2. The / ... / **Chair** of the Council, establishes during the session of the Council, after consultation with the / ... / **Chairs** of the Committees, Sub-Committees / ... / **and** Working Groups and the Secretary General, the schedule of meeting to be held by the Committees, Sub-Committees **and** Working Groups until the next sessions.

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Article 10

Urgent matters raised between sessions

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Amend as follows:

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The Chairman consults the members of the Council on any urgent matter raised between sessions. He / she informs the members consulted of the solutions arrived at.

Proposed Text

The / ... / **Chair of the Council** consults the members of the Council on any urgent matter raised between sessions / ... / **and** / ... / informs the members / ... / of the solutions arrived at.

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Article 13

Order of discussion

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Paragraphs 1 and 2. Amend as follows:

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1. Each delegation, either through its leaders or individual members, may speak as many times as may be desired on any subject being discussed. A delegate who desires to speak shall raise his / her hand and speak only when recognised by the Chairman.

2. Any person speaking must express himself / herself slowly and distinctly so that all the other participants may be able to follow his meaning clearly.

Proposed Text

1. Each delegation, either through its leaders or individual members, may speak as many times as may be desired on any subject being discussed. / ... / **Delegates** who desire/ ... / to speak shall / ... / **indicate in the required manner** and speak only when recognised by the / ... / **Chair of the Council**.

2. Any person speaking must express / ... / **themselves** slowly and distinctly so that all the other participants may be able to follow / ... / **their** meaning clearly.

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Article 15

Minutes and summary report of sessions

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Paragraphs 3, 5 and 6. Amend as follows:

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<p>3. Draft minutes shall be prepared as soon as possible after the completion of each session and submitted to the Chairman for his / her approval prior to distribution to delegates and observers.</p>	<p>3. Draft minutes shall be prepared as soon as possible after the completion of each session and submitted to the / ... / <u>Chair of the Council</u> for / ... / approval prior to distribution to delegates and observers.</p>
<p>5. One copy of a consolidated set of draft minutes shall, after approval by the Chairman, be forwarded to each participant in the session and shall be revised by the Secretariat, taking into account such comments as may be made by participants and which have been submitted to the Secretariat within 40 days from the day when the draft minutes were distributed.</p>	<p>5. One copy of a consolidated set of draft minutes shall, after approval by the / ... / <u>Chair of the Council</u>, be forwarded to each participant in the session and shall be revised by the Secretariat, taking into account such comments as may be made by participants and which have been submitted to the Secretariat within 40 days from the day when the draft minutes were distributed.</p>
<p>6. Following the amendment of the minutes by the Secretariat, the final minutes shall be signed by the Chairman of the Executive Council and the Secretary General. A copy of the minutes unbound shall then be distributed to each member-country, as well as the relevant number of bound copies when they become available.</p>	<p>6. Following the amendment of the minutes by the Secretariat, the final minutes shall be signed by the / ... / <u>Chair</u> of the / ... / Council and the Secretary General. A copy of the minutes unbound shall then be distributed to each member-country, as well as the relevant number of bound copies when they become available.</p>

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Article 16

Press notice

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Amend as follows:

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Official releases to the press about the work of the Council are released only upon the authorisation of the Chairman.

Proposed Text

Official releases to the press about the work of the Council are released only upon the authorisation of the / ... / **Chair of the Council**.