

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

Rules of Procedure of Executive Council – Proposal

4.3

Article 14

Voting

APPU/UPU REFORM WORKING GROUP

Amend as follows:

2011 Ulaanbaatar Text

Proposed Text

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| <p>1. Each member of the Council has only one vote.</p> <p>2. If a member of the Council is unable to attend a meeting, it has the option of delegating its right to vote to a representative of another member-country, on condition that it gives previous advice thereof, in writing, to the Chairman of the Council. It is understood that a member of the Council may represent only one country other than its own.</p> <p>3. The Council endeavors to secure the greatest measure of common agreement possible on all matters discussed, and when such agreement is not possible, the matter shall be decided by the majority of members present and voting. In case of an equal division of votes, the matter is considered rejected.</p> <p>4. Voting is held by raising of hands. However, upon request of a member of the Council or by the desire of the Chairman, a roll call vote may be undertaken in accordance with the alphabetical listing in English of the countries represented at the Council.</p> <p>5. If, at the time of voting, one of the members of the Council, supported by at least one other member, request a secret ballot, the same is given due course and the necessary steps are undertaken to assure the normal functioning of</p> | <p>1. Each member of the Council has only one vote.</p> <p>2. If a member of the Council is unable to physically attend part of a meeting, it has the option of delegating its right to vote to a representative of another member-country, on condition that it gives previous advice thereof, in writing, to the /.../ Chair of the Council. It is understood that a member of the Council may represent only one country other than its own.</p> <p>3. The Council /.../ shall endeavour to secure the greatest measure of common agreement on all matters discussed /.../. Questions which cannot be settled by common consent shall be decided by the majority of members present and voting. In case of an equal division of votes, the matter is considered rejected.</p> <p>4. Voting is held by raising of hands. However, upon request of a member of the Council or by the desire of the /.../ Chair, a roll call vote may be undertaken in accordance with the alphabetical listing in English of the countries represented at the Council.</p> <p>5. If, at the time of voting, one of the members of the Council, supported by at least one other member, request a secret ballot, the same is given due course and the necessary steps are undertaken to assure the normal functioning of</p> |
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7. Regardless of the system of voting used, the secret ballot shall take precedence over any other voting procedure.

8. Once the voting has begun, no delegation may interrupt it, except to raise a point of order relating to the way in which the vote is being taken.

9. After the vote, the Chair may permit delegates to explain why they voted as they did.

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