
**AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE PREPARATORY COMMISSION FOR THE
COMPREHENSIVE NUCLEAR-TEST-BAN TREATY ORGANIZATION
AND THE WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION**

1. The text of the Agreement between the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization and the World Meteorological Organization is reproduced in this document for the information of all States Signatories.
2. Upon the recommendations of Working Group B (recommendation 3 as contained in CTBT/PC-13/1/Annex II) and Working Group A (recommendation 6 as contained in CTBT/PC-13/1/Annex I), at its Thirteenth Session the Commission approved the draft agreement as contained in CTBT/PC-13/1/Annex II, Appendix IV.
3. The Agreement was approved by the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization on 20 November 2000 and by the Congress of the World Meteorological Organization on 23 May 2003, and thus, in accordance with the terms of Article XIII of the Agreement, it entered into force on the latter date.

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WHEREAS the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization (hereinafter the “Commission”) was established for the purpose of carrying out the necessary preparations for the effective implementation of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty;

WHEREAS the World Meteorological Organization (hereinafter the “Organization”) is recognized as the organization responsible, under the auspices of the United Nations, for facilitating international cooperation in the field of meteorology and promoting the rapid exchange of meteorological information;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Commission and the Organization have decided to conclude an agreement for cooperation and have agreed as follows:

Article I
Cooperation and consultation

1. The Commission and the Organization agree that with a view to facilitating the effective attainment of the objectives set forth in their respective constitutional instruments, within the general framework established by the Charter of the United Nations, they will act in close cooperation with each other and will consult each other regularly in regard to matters of common interest.
2. The Commission recognizes the responsibilities of the Organization as set forth in the Convention of that Organization and recognized in the agreement between the United Nations and the Organization.
3. The Organization recognizes the responsibilities of the Commission as set forth in the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty and the Resolution Establishing the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization, and as recognized in the agreement between the United Nations and the Commission.
4. In particular, the Organization recognizes the responsibility of the Commission with regard to the verification regime for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty, without prejudice to the responsibility of the Organization in matters relating to meteorology and other geophysical sciences and their operational aspects as defined in its Convention.
5. More specifically, the Commission and the Organization agree to cooperate closely with regard to meteorological measurements, the exchange of meteorological observations and transport modelling, and to establish specific procedures to that end in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement.

6. In all cases where either organization proposes to initiate a programme or activity on a subject in which the other organization has or may have a substantial interest, the first party shall consult the other before bringing to finality the programme or initiating the activity.

Article II Reciprocal representation

1. Representatives of the Organization shall be invited to attend the sessions of the Commission and to participate without vote in the deliberations of that body and, where appropriate, of its working groups with respect to items on their agenda in which the Organization has an interest.

2. Representatives of the Commission shall be invited to attend the Congress of the Organization and to participate without vote in the deliberations of that body, and where appropriate, of its committees or commissions with respect to items on their agenda in which the Commission has an interest.

3. Representatives of the Commission shall be invited, as appropriate, to attend meetings of the Executive Council of the Organization and to participate without vote in the deliberations of that body and of its committees with respect to items on their agenda in which the Commission has an interest.

4. Appropriate arrangements shall be made by agreement from time to time for the reciprocal representation of the Commission and the Organization at other meetings convened under their respective auspices which consider matters in which the other organization has an interest.

Article III Exchange of information and documents

1. Subject to such arrangements as may be necessary for the safeguarding of confidential material, the Provisional Technical Secretariat of the Commission and the Secretariat of the Organization shall keep each other fully informed concerning all projected activities and all programmes of work which may be of interest to the other party.

2. The Commission and the Organization recognize that they may find it necessary to apply certain limitations for the safeguarding of confidential information furnished to them. They therefore agree that nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as requiring either of them to furnish such information as would, in the judgement of the party possessing the information, constitute a violation of the confidence of any of its Members or anyone from whom it has received such information or otherwise interfere with the orderly conduct of its operations.

3. The parties agree that meteorological data which are exchanged in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement shall, subject to the need to protect those observations from illegal commercial use, not be subject to any other restrictions.

4. The Executive Secretary of the Commission and the Secretary-General of the Organization or their representatives shall, at the request of either party, arrange for consultations regarding the provision by either party of such special information as may be of interest to the other party. However the provision of any data or information collected by any

monitoring facility or through other verification activities, except for meteorological data, shall require a decision by the Commission or the Organization, as appropriate.

Article IV
Proposal of agenda items

After such preliminary consultations as may be necessary, the Organization shall include on the provisional agenda of its Congress or its Executive Council items proposed to it by the Commission. Similarly, the Commission shall include on its provisional agenda items proposed by the Organization. Items submitted by either party for consideration by the other shall be accompanied by an explanatory memorandum.

Article V
Cooperation between secretariats

The Provisional Technical Secretariat of the Commission and the Secretariat of the Organization shall maintain a close working relationship in accordance with such arrangements as may have been agreed upon from time to time by the Executive Secretary of the Commission and the Secretary-General of the Organization.

Article VI
Administrative and technical cooperation

The Commission and the Organization agree to consult each other from time to time regarding the most efficient use of personnel and resources and appropriate methods of avoiding the establishment and operation of competitive or overlapping facilities and services.

Article VII
Statistical services

In view of the desirability of maximum cooperation in the statistical field and of minimizing the burdens placed on national governments and other organizations from which information may be collected, the Commission and the Organization undertake, subject to the provisions of Article III, to avoid undesirable duplication between them with respect to the collection, compilation and publication of statistics and to consult with each other on the most efficient use of information, resources and technical personnel in the field of statistics.

Article VIII
Personnel arrangements

1. The Commission and the Organization agree to consult whenever necessary concerning matters of common interest relating to the terms and conditions of employment of staff.
2. The Commission and the Organization agree to cooperate regarding the exchange of personnel and to determine conditions of such cooperation in supplementary arrangements to be concluded for that purpose in accordance with Article X of this Agreement.

Article IX
Financing of special services

If compliance with a request for assistance made by either organization to the other would involve substantial expenditure for the organization complying with the request, consultation shall take place with a view to determining the most equitable manner of meeting such expenditure.

Article X
Implementation of the Agreement

The Executive Secretary of the Commission and the Secretary-General of the Organization may enter into such arrangements for the implementation of this Agreement as may be found desirable in the light of the operating experience of the two organizations.

Article XI
Notification to the United Nations and
filing and recording

1. In accordance with its agreement with the United Nations, the Organization will inform the United Nations forthwith of the terms of the present Agreement.
2. On the coming into force of the present Agreement in accordance with the provisions of Article XIII, it will be communicated to the Secretary-General of the United Nations for filing and recording.

Article XII
Revision, termination and succession

1. On six months' notice given by either party, this Agreement shall be subject to revision by agreement between the Commission and the Organization.
2. This Agreement may be terminated by either party on 31 December of any year by notice given not later than 30 June of that year.
3. Upon the succession of either party, the successor organization shall notify the other party of its succession in respect of this Agreement.

Article XIII
Entry into force

1. This Agreement shall come into force on its approval by the Commission and by the Congress of the Organization.
2. Upon the approval of this Agreement by the Commission and its endorsement by the Executive Council of the Organization, and pending its approval by the Congress of the Organization, the Executive Secretary of the Commission and the Secretary-General of the Organization may implement provisional measures consistent with this Agreement.

PROTOCOL

This Agreement was approved by the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization on 20 November 2000 and by the Congress of the World Meteorological Organization on 23 May 2003, and thus, in accordance with the terms of Article XIII of the Agreement, it entered into force on the latter date.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the Executive Secretary of the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization and the Secretary-General of the World Meteorological Organization have affixed their signatures to two original copies of the Agreement in the English language.

For the Preparatory Commission
for the Comprehensive
Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization:

For the World
Meteorological Organization:

Signed

Signed

Wolfgang Hoffmann
Executive Secretary

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Secretary-General

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