



RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR THE NAMCO COUNCIL

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I Representation

1. Each Contracting Party shall appoint a Councilor as its main representative.

II Decisions

2. The Chairman may decide that unanimity is reached if he deems so. If no objection is made, the decision is thereby taken. A Contracting Party may call for a vote. Votes shall then be taken by show of hands or by roll call in the English alphabetical order. When a Contracting Party so requests the vote shall be conducted by secret ballot.
3. Each Contracting Party shall have one vote.
4. Decisions of the Council shall be taken by the unanimous vote of those Contracting Parties present.
5. Between meetings, decisions may be taken by correspondence.

III Chairman and Vice-Chairman

6. The Council shall elect from among its members a Chairman and a Vice-Chairman, each of whom shall serve for a term of two years and shall be eligible for re-election provided that they do not serve for more than four years in succession in each office. The Chairman and Vice-Chairman shall not represent the same Contracting Party.
7. The Chairman and Vice-Chairman shall take office at the conclusion of the annual meeting at which they are elected.
8. The powers and duties of the Chairman shall be:
 - a) to declare the opening and closing of each meeting;
 - b) to preside at meetings;
 - c) to call for and announce the decisions and the results of votes;
 - d) to determine a schedule of meetings for annual or special meetings of the Council;