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*Agenda Item 17*

# Proposed Amendments to the Rules of Procedure of the ISA Assembly

## Summary

This document contains the amendments proposed by the ISA Secretariat to the Rules of Procedure of the ISA Assembly.

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### Background

The Rules of Procedure of the ISA Assembly (hereinafter called the “RoP”) were presented and provisionally approved by the First Assembly of ISA held on 3 October 2018. The First Assembly also mandated the Secretariat to seek inputs on the Provisional Rules of Procedures from the ISA member countries and submit them to the General and Legal Committee who would submit the final Rules of Procedure of the Assembly for approval at the Second Assembly.

Accordingly, the finalised Rules of Procedure were submitted to the First Standing Committee for recommendation and the Second Assembly held on 31 October 2019 for approval. The Second Assembly approved the Manual of Regulations except Clause (m) under the Selection Procedure in the Annex I of the RoP, which was subsequently approved by the Third Assembly held on 14 October 2020.

There continue to remain several inconsistencies and gaps in the RoP and the ISA Secretariat therefore undertook the task of reviewing the RoP. The proposed amendments have been captured in a tabulated form and annexed herewith as Annexure I.

### Next Steps

The Fifth Assembly may provide guidance on the amendments proposed by the ISA Secretariat and consider the same for approval.

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Annexure I

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1.	--	1	-NA-	-NA-	It is proposed that the definitions be arranged in an alphabetical order for ease of referencing.
4.	IV	2	<p><b>Frequency of the Sessions</b></p> <p>The Assembly of the International Solar Alliance (hereinafter referred to as ISA) shall meet annually at the Ministerial level at the seat of the ISA, as specified in Article IV (1) of the Framework Agreement. The session shall be convened on a date set by the Assembly at its previous session, or, should a date not be set by the Assembly at its previous session, on a date set by the President when so authorized by the Assembly and as notified by the Director General in accordance with Rule 3.</p>	<p><b>Frequency of the Sessions</b></p> <p>The Assembly of the <del>ISA International Solar Alliance (hereinafter referred to as ISA)</del> shall meet annually at the Ministerial level at the seat of the ISA, as specified in Article IV (1) of the Framework Agreement. The session shall be convened on a date set by the Assembly at its previous session, or should a date not be set by the Assembly at its previous session, on a date set by the President when so authorized by the Assembly and as notified by the Director General in accordance with Rule 3.</p>	ISA has been defined under Rule 1(e). It is proposed that ISA does not need to be defined again under Rule 2. Hence, the language defining ISA has been proposed to be removed.
5.	IV	17	<p><b>Supplementary Items</b></p> <p>Any Member of the ISA (if supported by 10 other members), or the Director</p>	<p><b>Supplementary Items</b></p> <p>Any Member of the ISA (if supported by 10 other members), or the Director General</p>	According to Rule 15, the ISA Secretariat has to circulate the agenda at least 30 days before the session. If the agenda is circulated

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			<p>General may, at least thirty (30) days before the date fixed for the opening of a regular session, request, in writing, the inclusion of supplementary items in the agenda. With the approval of the President, such items shall be placed on a supplementary list, which shall be communicated to Members at least twenty-one (21) days before the opening of the session.</p>	<p>may, at least <u>twenty-two (22)</u> <del>thirty (30)</del> days before the date fixed for the opening of a regular session, request, in writing, the inclusion of supplementary items in the agenda. With the approval of the President, such items shall be placed on a supplementary list, which shall be communicated to Members at least <u>fifteen (15)</u> <del>twenty-one (21)</del> days before the opening of the session.</p>	<p>30 days before the session, members of ISA would have no time to request for inclusion of supplementary items. Hence, the ISA Secretariat is proposing that the request for including supplementary items be made 22 days prior to the opening of a regular session. This would allow a member, 8 days to review the agenda and then request for any supplementary item to be included.</p>
6.	IX	31	<p>In accordance with Article IX of the ISA Framework Agreement—Observer status may be granted by the Assembly under Article IX of the ISA Framework Agreement, to applicants for membership or partnership whose application is pending or to any other organization which can further the interest and objectives of the ISA. In accordance with Article IV (5) of the ISA Framework Agreement, observers may participate</p>	<p>In accordance with Article IX of the ISA Framework Agreement—Observer status may be granted by the Assembly under Article IX of the ISA Framework Agreement, to applicants for membership <del>or partnership</del> whose application is pending or to any other organization which can further the interest and objectives of the ISA. In accordance with Article IV (5) of the ISA Framework Agreement, observers may</p>	<p>The Secretariat submits that the Framework Agreement does not have Article VII (1) after the amendment. Hence, the reference has been corrected.</p> <p>Further, ISA has partnerships with various UN agencies and other international organisations. Such partnerships are done also from a strategic point of view and under</p>

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			<p>without having the right to vote in the decision making of the ISA.</p> <p>Should applicants for membership and partnership become members of the ISA in accordance with Article VII (1) of the Framework Agreement, their respective Observer status will cease to exist. Observer status is granted to Partner Organizations for a period of two years, subject to a review of the effectiveness of partnership with organizations by the Standing Committee established by the Assembly. The observers shall be entitled to intervene in the proceedings with the permission or at the invitation of the President of the Assembly.</p> <p>Further detail on the processes required to seek Observer status is included in the Rules for the granting of Observer status by the Assembly.</p>	<p>participate without having the right to vote in the decision making of the ISA.</p> <p>Should applicants for membership <del>and partnership</del> become members of the ISA in accordance with Article VII <del>(1)</del> of the Framework Agreement, their respective Observer status will cease to exist. <del>Observer status is granted to Partner Organizations for a period of two years, subject to a review of the effectiveness of partnership with organizations by the Standing Committee established by the Assembly.</del> The observers shall be entitled to intervene in the proceedings with the permission or at the invitation of the President of the Assembly.</p> <p><del>Further detail on the processes required to seek Observer status is included in the Rules for the granting of Observer status by the Assembly.</del></p>	<p>the ambit of Article VIII. Hence, revoking their observer status may not be preferable.</p> <p>Rule 31 provides a detailed procedure for granting of observer status. Hence, the ISA Secretariat is proposing the deletion of language stating that further details will be provided by rules.</p>

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			NOTE: The Assembly may also wish to invite the Prospective Member Countries of the ISA to the Assembly proceedings as observers.	NOTE: The Assembly may also wish to invite the Prospective Member Countries of the ISA to the Assembly proceedings as observers.	
7.	--	32	<p><b>Participation of Partner Country</b></p> <p>Partner Country status may be granted by the Assembly under Article VII (2) of the ISA Framework Agreement to those states which fall outside the Tropic of Cancer and the Tropic of Capricorn, are members of the United Nations, and are willing and able to contribute to the objectives and activities of ISA. A Partner Country desirous of participating in the Assembly should place a Note Verbale before the Secretariat. The Secretariat shall place the Note Verbale before the Assembly for consideration. The Director General shall inform the applicant Partner Country of the decision of the Assembly. If the application is approved, it shall become effective on the date on which</p>	The rule 32 in its entirety be deleted.	Pursuant to the First Amendment to the ISA Framework coming into force on 15 <sup>th</sup> January 2021, the concept of Partner Country has been removed from the Framework Agreement. This is done because after the amendment, membership of ISA is open to all UN member states.

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			<p>the Assembly takes its decision on the application. The Partner Country may participate with a delegation comprising of not more than two members.</p> <p>NOTE: In the event of any ambiguity concerning the geographical location, the same shall be sent for clarification of the depositary of the ISA Framework Agreement. Article XIV (1) of the ISA Framework Agreement reads as the Government of the Republic of India is the Depositary of the Framework Agreement.</p>		
8.	VIII	33	<p><b>Participation of Partner Organization</b></p> <p>In accordance with Article VIII of the ISA Framework Agreement, Partner Organization status may be granted by the Assembly to the organizations that have the potential to help the ISA to achieve its objectives, including regional inter-governmental economic integration organizations constituted by sovereign</p>	<p><b>Participation of Partner Organization</b></p> <p>In accordance with Article VIII of the ISA Framework Agreement, Partner Organization status may be granted by the Assembly to the organizations that have the potential to help the ISA to achieve its objectives, including regional inter-governmental economic integration organizations constituted by sovereign</p>	<p>It is submitted that the Assembly on the recommendation of the Secretariat should have the right to revoke the Partner Organisation status.</p> <p>Further, Rule 33 provides a detailed procedure for granting of Partner Organisation Status. Hence, the ISA Secretariat is proposing the deletion of language stating that</p>

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			<p>states and at least one of which is a member of the ISA. Pursuant to Article IV (5) of the ISA Framework Agreement, Partner Organizations may participate without having the right to vote in the decision making of the ISA.</p> <p><b>Fee for granting partner organization status</b></p> <p>The eligible partner organisations shall have to pay the following fee for being granted partner organization status of the ISA:</p> <p>i. A minimum one-time contribution of US \$ 1 Million for granting Corporate Partner Status for a period of ten years;</p> <p>ii. An annual contribution of US \$ 100,000 for granting Partner Status to Other Organisations; and</p> <p>iii. No fee for granting Partnership Status to the United Nations, Multilateral, Intergovernmental, Bilateral Organisations, and Organisations that</p>	<p>states and at least one of which is a member of the ISA. Pursuant to Article IV (5) of the ISA Framework Agreement, Partner Organizations may participate without having the right to vote in the decision making of the ISA.</p> <p><b>Fee for granting partner organization status</b></p> <p>The eligible partner organisations shall have to pay the following fee for being granted partner organization status of the ISA:</p> <p>i. A minimum one-time contribution of US \$ 1 Million for granting Corporate Partner Status for a period of ten years;</p> <p>ii. An annual contribution of US \$ 100,000 for granting Partner Status to Other Organisations; and</p> <p>iii. No fee for granting Partnership Status to the United Nations, Multilateral, Intergovernmental, Bilateral Organisations, and Organisations that sign</p>	<p>further details will be provided by rules.</p>



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			<p>sign the Partnership agreement under Article VIII (2) of the ISA Framework Agreement.</p> <p>The Partner Organization can participate with a delegation comprising not more than three members. Further detail on the processes required to seek Partner Organization Status is included in the Rules for the granting of Partner Organization status by the Assembly.</p>	<p>the Partnership agreement under Article VIII (2) of the ISA Framework Agreement.</p> <p><u>The Assembly will have the right to revoke the Partner Organization status on the recommendation of the Secretariat.</u> The Partner Organization can participate with a delegation comprising not more than three members. <del>Further detail on the processes required to seek Partner Organization Status is included in the Rules for the granting of Partner Organization status by the Assembly.</del></p>	
9.	IV	35	<p><b>Special Invitees</b></p> <p>The President may choose to invite other organizations or entities not already covered by Rules 28 to 34 or UN Member States falling outside the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn, and whom may further the interests and objectives of the ISA, to attend the Assembly.</p> <p>Individuals may attend Assembly as Special Invitees upon invitation from the</p>	<p><b>Special Invitees</b></p> <p>The President may choose to invite other organizations or entities not already covered by Rules 28 to 34 <del>or UN Member States falling outside the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn</del>, and whom may further the interests and objectives of the ISA, to attend the Assembly.</p> <p>Individuals may attend Assembly as Special Invitees upon invitation from the President</p>	<p>Upon the First Amendment to the Framework Agreement coming into force on 15<sup>th</sup> January 2021, the membership of ISA was expanded to all UN member states. Hence, UN member states falling outside the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn and not a member of ISA, may be invited as Observers rather than Special Invitees.</p>

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			<p>President of the Assembly. Special Invitees shall be entitled to interventions in the proceedings only with the permission of the President without having the right to vote.</p> <p>Special invitees may have a delegation comprising not more than three members.</p>	<p>of the Assembly. Special Invitees shall be entitled to interventions in the proceedings only with the permission of the President without having the right to vote.</p> <p>Special invitees may have a delegation comprising not more than three members.</p>	
10.	IV	36	<p><b>Submission of Credentials</b></p> <p>The credentials of each representative and the names of the persons constituting the Members delegation shall be submitted to the Secretariat, if possible, not less than seven (7) days in advance of the session, which the delegation will attend. The credentials shall be issued either by the Head of the State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs.</p>	<p><b>Submission of Credentials</b></p> <p>The credentials of each representative and the names of the persons constituting the <u>Members'</u> delegation shall be submitted to the Secretariat, if possible, not less than seven (7) days in advance of the session, which the delegation will attend. The credentials shall be issued either by the Head of the State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs.</p>	<p>A minor grammatical change to include an apostrophe in the word 'Members'.</p>
13.	IV	79	<p><b>Establishment of Committees</b></p> <p>In accordance with Rule 77, the Assembly shall have the following Committees:</p> <p>a) Standing Committee</p>	<p><b>Establishment of Committees</b></p> <p>In accordance with Rule 77, the Assembly shall have the following Committees:</p> <p>a) Standing Committee</p>	<p>It is proposed that the financial contribution be limited to one term if a member contributes \$5 million. This will allow frequent rotations</p>

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			<p>b) Regional Committees Standing Committee as established by the Assembly shall assist in effective and efficient functioning of the ISA. The Standing Committee shall consist of the following 10 elected and/ selected Members of the ISA:</p> <p>a) President of the Assembly; b) Co-President of the Assembly; c) Eight Vice Presidents of the Standing Committee – two from each of the four ISA geographical regions;</p> <p>In addition to members elected and selected through above process, the ISA member countries making financial contributions for strengthening ISA will have the right to serve as Additional Members with voting rights, provided that the number of additional members shall not exceed Nine (9) members at a given time.</p> <p>In a situation when more than 9 countries are eligible to become additional</p>	<p>b) Regional Committees Standing Committee as established by the Assembly shall assist in effective and efficient functioning of the ISA. The Standing Committee shall consist of the following 10 elected and/ selected Members of the ISA:</p> <p>a) President of the Assembly; b) Co-President of the Assembly; c) Eight Vice Presidents of the Standing Committee – two from each of the four ISA geographical regions;</p> <p>In addition to members elected and selected through above process, the ISA member countries making financial contributions for strengthening ISA will have the right to serve as Additional Members with voting rights, provided that the number of additional members shall not exceed Nine (9) members at a given time.</p> <p>In a situation when more than 9 countries are eligible to become additional members,</p>	<p>amongst contributing member countries.</p>

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			<p>members, then the countries contributing higher amount will become members. Further, in case more than 9 countries are eligible with same contribution, then First come, first serve principle will be followed.</p> <p>The Standing Committee will thus comprise of President, Co-President, eight (8) Regional Vice Presidents and up to nine Additional Members. If any additional member also gets elected as President, Co-President or Vice President they will be entitled to only one vote in accordance with Article IV (5) of the Framework Agreement.</p> <p>The terms of such additional members in the Standing Committee shall depend on the quantum of the contributions. Member countries contributing at least US \$3 million, US \$5 million, US \$10 million and US \$15 million or above shall</p>	<p>then the countries contributing higher amount will become members. Further, in case more than 9 countries are eligible with same contribution, then <del>First come, first serve principle will be followed</del> <u>the members will be chosen by a draw of lots.</u></p> <p>The Standing Committee will thus comprise of President, Co-President, eight (8) Regional Vice Presidents and up to nine Additional Members. If any additional member also gets elected as President, Co-President or Vice President they will be entitled to only one vote in accordance with Article IV (5) of the Framework Agreement.</p> <p><del>The terms of such additional members in the Standing Committee shall depend on the quantum of the contributions.</del> Member countries contributing, <u>one time payment of at least US \$3 million, US \$5 million, US \$10 million and US \$15 million or above</u> shall have the right to be an additional</p>	

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			<p>have the right to be an additional member for one term, two terms, four terms and ten terms respectively.</p> <p>The Vice Presidents of the Standing Committee will be selected on rotation basis from the ISA member countries in the specific region on the basis of seniority in terms of submission of the instrument of ratification with the depositary. Countries joining the ISA after 31 October 2019, will be placed at end of the members list in the order of joining. On completion of the two-year term, the next two countries on the list will represent the region in the Standing Committee.</p> <p>Explanatory note5: In the event that two or more Member countries of the ISA submit their Instruments of Ratification to the Depository on the same day, then they will be nominated for the position of</p>	<p>member for one term, <del>two terms, four terms and ten terms respectively.</del></p> <p>The Vice Presidents of the Standing Committee will be selected on rotation basis from the ISA member countries in the specific region on the basis of seniority in terms of submission of the instrument of ratification with the depositary. Countries joining the ISA after 31 October 2019, will be placed at end of the members list in the order of joining. On completion of the two-year term, the next two countries on the list will represent the region in the Standing Committee.</p> <p>Explanatory note5: In the event that two or more Member countries of the ISA submit their Instruments of Ratification to the Depository on the same day, then they will be nominated for the position of the Vice-President of the ISA Assembly on the basis of alphabetical order.</p> <p>The Vice Presidents will be selected for a two-year term and shall continue to hold</p>	

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			<p>the Vice-President of the ISA Assembly on the basis of alphabetical order.</p> <p>The Vice Presidents will be selected for a two-year term and shall continue to hold office until the next Vice Presidents so selected assume office.</p> <p>The members of the Standing Committee shall meet at the Ministerial-level. The Rules of Procedure and terms of reference of the Standing Committee are in Annex II.</p> <p>The Rules of Procedure and terms of reference of the Regional Committees are in Annex III.</p>	<p>office until the next Vice Presidents so selected assume office.</p> <p>The members of the Standing Committee shall meet at the Ministerial-level.</p> <p>The Rules of Procedure and terms of reference of the Standing Committee are in Annex II.</p> <p>The Rules of Procedure and terms of reference of the Regional Committees are in Annex III.</p>	
16.	IV	Rule 2, Annex II	<p><b>Mandate</b></p> <p>The Standing Committee shall be responsible and accountable to the Assembly. The Standing Committee shall carry out the powers and functions entrusted to it under these Rules of Procedure, as well as those functions delegated to it by the Assembly. In so</p>	<p><b>Mandate</b></p> <p>The Standing Committee shall be responsible and accountable to the Assembly. The Standing Committee shall carry out the powers and functions entrusted to it under these Rules of Procedure, as well as those functions delegated to it by the Assembly. In so</p>	<p>The wording of point (f) has been reworded as the agreements are signed by the Director General, after the proposals are approved by the Standing Committee.</p>

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			<p>doing, it shall act in conformity with the decisions and with due regard to the recommendations of the Assembly and assure their proper and continuous implementation.</p> <p>The Standing Committee shall:</p> <p>a) Facilitate consultations and cooperation among Members;</p> <p>b) Consider and submit to the Assembly the draft work programme and the draft budget of the ISA;</p> <p>c) Approve arrangements for the sessions of the Assembly including the preparation of the draft agenda;</p> <p>d) Consider and submit to the Assembly the draft annual report concerning the activities of the ISA and other reports as prepared by the Secretariat;</p> <p>e) Prepare any other reports which the Assembly may request;</p> <p>f) Conclude agreements or arrangements with States, international organizations and international agencies on behalf of</p>	<p>doing, it shall act in conformity with the decisions and with due regard to the recommendations of the Assembly and assure their proper and continuous implementation.</p> <p>The Standing Committee shall:</p> <p>a) Facilitate consultations and cooperation among Members;</p> <p>b) Consider and submit to the Assembly the draft work programme and the draft budget of the ISA;</p> <p>c) Approve arrangements for the sessions of the Assembly including the preparation of the draft agenda;</p> <p>d) Consider and submit to the Assembly the draft annual report concerning the activities of the ISA and other reports as prepared by the Secretariat;</p> <p>e) Prepare any other reports which the Assembly may request;</p> <p>f) <u>Approve proposals for</u> agreements or arrangements with States, international organizations and international agencies</p>	

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			<p>the ISA, subject to prior approval by the Assembly;</p> <p>g) Substantiate the work programme as adopted by the Assembly with a view to its implementation by the Secretariat and within the limits of the adopted budget;</p> <p>h) Have the authority to refer to the Assembly matters for its consideration; and</p> <p>i) Establish subsidiary organs, when necessary, and decide on their terms of reference and duration;</p> <p>j) Take stock of the programmes and advise on the activities for the successful implementation of the work programme of the ISA and provide guidance in achieving the objectives of ISA; and</p> <p>k) Advise on emergent issues and on the matters pending for approval of the Assembly, when so requested by the Secretariat. The Standing Committee may also advise on other matters including reallocation of appropriations to different</p>	<p>on behalf of the ISA, <del>subject to prior approval</del> <u>for ratification</u> by the Assembly;</p> <p>g) Substantiate the work programme as adopted by the Assembly with a view to its implementation by the Secretariat and within the limits of the adopted budget;</p> <p>h) Have the authority to refer to the Assembly matters for its consideration; and</p> <p>i) Establish subsidiary organs, when necessary, and decide on their terms of reference and duration;</p> <p>j) Take stock of the programmes and advise on the activities for the successful implementation of the work programme of the ISA and provide guidance in achieving the objectives of ISA; and</p> <p>k) Advise on emergent issues and on the matters pending for approval of the Assembly, when so requested by the Secretariat. The Standing Committee may also advise on other matters including reallocation of appropriations to different Programmes and activities in the approved</p>	



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			<p>Programmes and activities in the approved Work programme when so requested by the Secretariat.</p> <p>l) Consider and recommend to the ISA Assembly those matters, which have substantial financial implications for the ISA, including those recommended by the ISA Committees. Such matters will need to be specifically brought for consideration to the Standing Committee at the first instance in the Work Programme and Budget. Upon recommendation of the Standing Committee, the proposals may be brought for approval by the Assembly in separate agenda item(s) and will be cleared at various levels as per financial delegation for implementation.</p> <p>m) Shall perform all the functions of the erstwhile Finance Committee, General and Legal Committee and Programme Committee.</p>	<p>Work programme when so requested by the Secretariat.</p> <p>l) Consider and recommend to the ISA Assembly those matters, which have substantial financial implications for the ISA, including those recommended by the ISA Committees. Such matters will need to be specifically brought for consideration to the Standing Committee at the first instance in the Work Programme and Budget. Upon recommendation of the Standing Committee, the proposals may be brought for approval by the Assembly in separate agenda item(s) and will be cleared at various levels as per financial delegation for implementation.</p> <p>m) Shall perform all the functions of the erstwhile Finance Committee, General and Legal Committee and Programme Committee.</p>	

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19.	IV	Rule 1, Annex III	<p><b>Composition</b></p> <p>The two Vice Presidents of the Standing Committee selected from the region will function as the Chair of the respective Regional Committee for one-year duration each in the order of submission of the instrument of ratification of the Framework Agreement with the depositary. All the Members from the region would be represented in the respective regional Committees.</p>	<p><b>Composition</b></p> <p><u>The Regional Committee will comprise of the following:</u></p> <p><u>a) The two Vice Presidents of the Standing Committee selected from the region;</u></p> <p><u>b) The Vice Chair selected by the Regional Committee; and</u></p> <p><u>c) All the Members from the region.</u></p>	<p>The amendment is proposed to clarify the composition of the Regional Committee. The existing Rule provides information about the Chair of the Regional Committee, which is already covered under Rule 2. Hence, to avoid duplication, the same is proposed to be deleted.</p>
20.	IV	Rule 2, Annex III	<p><b>Chair and Vice-Chair</b></p> <p>The Vice-Presidents of the Standing Committee selected from four regions shall serve as the Chairs of the Regional Committees as per para (1) above. The member countries of the respective regions will also elect one of the other members of the Regional Committee to be the</p>	<p><b>Chair and Vice Chair</b></p> <p><u>The two Vice Presidents of the Standing Committee selected from the region will function as the Chair of the respective Regional Committee for one-year duration each in the order of submission of the instrument of ratification of the Framework Agreement with the depositary.</u></p> <p><u>The next two senior most member countries from the region, following the</u></p>	<p>The proposed amendment provides the procedure for selection of a Chair for the Regional Committee, which was previously captured in Rule 1. Since Rule 1 was not the appropriate heading, it is proposed that the procedure be included in Rule 2.</p> <p>Further, it is submitted that election of the Vice Chair caused an inherent problem wherein the Chair was</p>

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			<p>Vice-Chair of the Regional Committee. The Chair and Vice-Chair shall have a term of one year.</p>	<p><u>two Vice Presidents, in terms of date of submission of instrument of ratification with the depositary will function as the Vice-Chair of the respective Regional Committees for one-year duration each in the order of submission of the instrument of ratification.</u></p> <p><u>On completion of the two-year period the two members who were the vice chairs for the standing committee will become the Vice President and therefore function as chairs as stipulated above. The process will be repeated sequentially over the years till all members have availed the opportunity to function as Vice Chair and Chair. Thereafter, the complete cycle will commence afresh as brought out above.</u></p>	<p>selected while the Vice Chair was elected. Therefore, to address this issue, it is proposed the two senior most members after the Vice Presidents be selected as Vice Chairs.</p>

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