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Alternative Proposal for Revision of Scientific Council

Rules of Procedures Concerning Voting

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The Executive Secretary's proposal (SCS Doc. 85/23, revised) is modified to:

1. separate out the questions of representation and voting into rules 1 and 2;
2. classify the role of the Assistant Executive Secretary;
3. specify the role of the Chairman of the Scientific Council in identifying countries from where proxies should be sought;
4. eliminate time constraints or authorizations other than the maximum of 12 months; and
5. eliminate the restriction on the number of proxy votes which can be cast.

Proposal - New Rules of Procedure

Rule 1.2 - change to Rule 1.3

New Rule 1.2 - A contracting party may be represented at a meeting by the Executive Secretary, if so empowered by the Contracting Party, for the sole purpose of voting as specified under Rule 2.3.

Rule 2.3 - change to Rule 2.4

New Rule 2.3 a) The Executive Secretary will cast votes of abstention on behalf of all Contracting Parties from which he has received prior approval to so vote, provided that he shall not vote for a contracting Party if another representative of that Contracting Party is present at the meeting.

b) For the purposes of this rule, the Assistant Executive Secretary can act for the Executive Secretary in the absence of the Executive Secretary and with the prior approval of the Contracting Party or Parties for which a vote is to be cast.

c) Authorization for the Executive Secretary, and for the Assistant Executive Secretary as specified under 2.3.b, to vote on behalf of a Contracting Party shall be sought by the Executive Secretary from those Contracting Parties for which the Chairman considers such authorization to be necessary for the purpose of providing the Scientific Council with a quorum.

d) Authorizations to vote received under Rule 2.3.c. shall not be effective for more than 12 months without renewal.

Rule 2.2. - modify by adding the phrase: -
...., except that votes in which proxy votes are being cast under Rule 2.3 shall be by roll call only.