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Note by the Secretary-General

In connection with the footnote to the outline of the Article on Sales Shares, which is contained in section B of the annex to the report, the Secretary-General has now received the agreement of all the Governments concerned to the publication of the figures contained in paragraphs 1 and 2 (b) (ii) of the outline of this Article.

When giving its agreement to this publication the Government of India informed the Secretary-General that it formulates already now its reservation as to India's sales share and that it will, at the end of the period referred to in paragraph 2 (c) of the outline of the Article on Sales Shares, and as provided for in that paragraph, ask for a re-examination of the basis of allocation of sales shares.

The completed text of the outline of the Article on Sales Shares which follows should accordingly be substituted for that contained in Section B of the annex to the report.

B. Sales Shares

The Parties to the Agreement agree that, during the life thereof, the amount of opium which the Government of a producing country Party to the Agreement shall be entitled to sell annually for medical and scientific needs to the international purchasing and selling Agency shall be calculated on the basis of the percentage shares laid down in the Annex to the Agreement.

1. Red Parties to the Agreement agree that, in respect of the percentage shares referred to in Article ... of the Agreement (Article on Sales Shares);

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/When the requirements E/CN.7/188/Add.1 E/CN.7/AC.1/1/Add.1 When the requirements of opium, of countries other than producing countries, in any year

do not exceed 450 tons

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the percentages shall be:

the requirements in excess of this tonnage shall be apportioned in accordance with the following percentages:

| | A | В | C | |
|---|----------------|--------|------|-----|
| INDIA | 6.33 | + 0.67 | 7 | |
| IRAN | 24.50 | + 1.50 | 30 | |
| TURKEY | 52 .5 0 | + 1.50 | . 59 | |
| YUGOSLAVIA | 13.33 | + 0.67 | 0 | |
| Reserved for potential exports by other producing | | | | |
| countries | 3.34 | + 0.66 | 4 | , , |
| | 100 | +5 | 100 | |

- 2. The Parties to the Agreement further agree that:
 - (a) The quantities of opium represented by the percentages specified in column B above shall be used by the international purchasing and selling Agency to meet such requirements as may arise out of fluctuations in demand, the necessity for building up floating stocks etc;
 - (b) Should one or more of the countries concerned renounce in respect of any year its right to sell to the Agency all or part of the tonnage of opium represented by the percentage shares specified above, the procedure to be followed shall be:
 - (i) an appropriate reduction shall first be made in the percentage reserved for the country or countries in question in column B;
 - (ii) should the percentage renounced exceed that provided for in column B, the excess shall be applied to increase the percentage share allocated to IRAN in column A, up to a maximum of 30 per cent, provided that the total allocation to IRAN under columns A and B shall in no case exceed 30 per cent, the percentage under column B being reduced progressively, if necessary, to achieve this end; and

- (iii) should the above procedure still fail to absorb the total percentage or percentages renounced, any further residue shall be applied to reduce proportionately to zero any percentages still remaining under column B, and thereafter to increase the percentages under column A, other than those of the renouncing country or countries, in a manner to be determined so that the total of the percentages in column A shall always be 100;
- (c) The Government of any producing country Party to the Agreement shall have the right to request that its percentage share as laid down in paragraph 1 above be revised after the interim Agreement shall have been in force for one year.
