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PROPOSED REDRAFT OF SECTION IV OF THE REPORT OF THE TECHNICAL  
PREPARATORY COMMITTEE SUBMITTED BY THE U.S. DELEGATION

Section IV Membership

1. Membership in the World Health Organization shall be open to all States.
2. The original Members of the World Health Organization shall be those States whose Governments, having been invited to send delegates or observers to the International Health Conference at New York, shall sign or otherwise accept this Constitution in accordance with the provisions of Article XIX of this Constitution.
3. Subject to the conditions of the agreement between this Organization, approved pursuant to Article XVII of this Constitution, States not entitled to become original members in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 2 of this Article, may be admitted to membership of the Organization by a two thirds majority vote of the World Health Assembly.
4. The Assembly, or the Board subject to subsequent approval by the Assembly, may suspend the voting privileges in the Organization and services, to which Members are entitled, with respect to a Member State which fails to meet its financial obligations to the Organization. Such voting privileges, and services may also be suspended in exceptional circumstances which, in the opinion of the Assembly or Board, justify such action. The Assembly, or, in cases which have not been the object of Assembly action, the Board, shall have the authority to restore voting privileges and services so suspended.
5. (Associate Membership of Non-Self-Governing Territories.)