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- 1. The injured State shall not resort to countermeasures prior to the conclusion of:
- (a) a binding third party settlement procedure to which it is entitled to accede by unilateral initiative under a treaty or other dispute settlement instrument in force;
- (b) failing such a title, a binding third party procedure offered to and accepted by the State which committed the internationally wrongful act;
- 2. The conditions set forth in the preceding paragraph
- (a) do not apply to such urgent, temporary measures as are required to protect the rights of the injured State or limit the damage caused by the internationally wrongful act;
- (b) cease to apply where the State which committed the internationally wrongful act:
 - (i) does not accept the offer of the binding third party procedure under paragraph 1 (b) of the present article;
 - (ii) does not cooperate in good faith in establishing or implementing the binding third party procedure envisaged in paragraph 1 (a) and (b) of the present article;
 - (iii) fails to honour a request or order emanating from that
 procedure; or
 - (iv) does not comply with the decision rendered by that procedure.
- 3. Except in the case of urgent temporary measures envisaged in paragraph 2 (a) of the present article no countermeasures shall be resorted to by the injured State without appropriate and timely communication of its intention to the State which committed the internationally wrongful act.

^{*} Submitted by the Special Rapporteur subsequent to the Commission's decision to refer to the Drafting Committee his proposals for articles 11 and 12 as contained in addendum 2 to his sixth report.