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Article 12

End of the functions of a special mission

1. The functions of a special mission shall come to an end, inter alia, upon:

- (a) The agreement of the States concerned;
- (b) The completion of the task of the special mission;
- (c) The expiry of the duration assigned for the special mission, unless it is explicitly extended;
- (d) Notification by the sending State that it is terminating or recalling the special mission;
- (e) Notification by the receiving State that it considers the special mission terminated.

2. The severance of diplomatic or consular relations between the sending State and the receiving State shall not of itself have the effect of terminating special missions existing at the time of such severance.

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Article 13

Seat of the special mission

1. A special mission shall have its seat in the locality agreed upon by the States concerned.
2. In the absence of agreement, the special mission shall have its seat in the locality where the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the receiving State is situated.
3. If the special mission's functions are performed in different localities, the special mission may have more than one seat; one of such seats may be chosen as its principal seat.

Article 14

Nationality of the members of the special mission

1. The representatives of the sending State in the special mission and members of its diplomatic staff should in principle be of the nationality of the sending State.
2. National of the receiving State may not be appointed to a special mission except with the consent of that State, which may be withdrawn at any time.
3. The receiving State may reserve the right provided for in paragraph 2 with regard to the nationals of a third State who are not also nationals of the sending State.