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SIXTH COMMITTEE: ORGANIZATION

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Article 75

1. The Executive Board shall consist of the representatives of eighteen Members of the Organization selected by the Conference. A customs union, as defined in paragraph 6 of Article 42, shall be eligible for a seat on the Executive Board, if all of its members are Members of the Organization and if its member states desire to be represented as a unit.

2. In selecting the members of the Executive Board, the Conference shall have regard to the desirability of ensuring that the Board:
   (a) includes Members of chief importance in international trade,
   (b) is representative of the diverse types of economy existing within the membership of the Organization,
   (c) is representative of the major geographic areas of the world or:
   (b) countries of smaller economic importance in international trade or representing diverse types of economic development; with due consideration to the principle that all major geographical areas should be represented.

3. (a) At intervals of three years the Conference shall determine by a two-thirds majority of the Members present and voting, the eight Members or customs unions of chief importance in international trade. Such Members or customs unions shall be declared elected as members of the Executive Board.
   (b) The other members of the Executive Board shall be elected by the Conference by a two-thirds majority of the Members present and voting.
   (c) If on two consecutive ballots no Member is elected, the remainder of the election shall be by a majority of the Members of the Organization.

4. Subject to the provisions of Annex X, the term of a member of the Executive Board shall normally be three years. A retiring Member shall be eligible.
eligible for immediate re-election. Any vacancy in the Board shall be filled by the Conference, at its next session, for the unexpired term of the vacancy.

5. The Conference shall establish rules for giving effect to the provisions of this Article.