7. Unless otherwise settled by the parties concerned, the Parties shall consult on claims in connection with cooperative activities pursuant to this Agreement not otherwise covered by this Article, including those arising out of acts or omissions of members of the Visiting Force or the Civilian Component not done in the performance of official duties and causing injury or death and/or damage to property in the territory of the Receiving State.

8. Except to the extent that it is determined in the course of a claim being adjudicated by a competent tribunal of the Receiving State, the Parties shall consult and mutually determine whether a claim arose out of acts or omissions done in the performance of official duties or outside official duties.

9. In the event that a Party receives notice of any claim under this Article, that Party shall inform the other Party as soon as practicable.

10. The Parties shall, to the extent permitted by their laws and regulations, cooperate in the provision of relevant information and the collection and production of evidence for a fair hearing and disposal of claims under this Article.

11. The Sending State shall, at the request of the Receiving State, assist the Receiving State to take possession of any private moveable property which is subject to compulsory execution under the laws and regulations of the Receiving State and which is within an area in use by the Visiting Force or the Civilian Component.

12. (a) The Sending State shall not claim immunity from the civil jurisdiction of the courts of the Receiving State for a member of the Visiting Force or the Civilian Component.

(b) For the avoidance of doubt, subparagraph (a) shall not be construed as waiving any immunities relating to enforcement proceedings as may be provided under the laws and regulations of the Receiving State.

13. The provisions of this Article shall not apply to any claims which arose before the entry into force of this Agreement.

14. For the purposes of this Article:

(a) “civilian personnel” means for the Sending State the members of the Civilian Component and for the Receiving State the civilian officials of the Receiving State who are employed by or in the service of the Force of the Receiving State, but does not include contractors engaged by, or on behalf of, that Force; and

(b) “gross negligence” refers to a serious disregard of an obvious risk.

Article XXIV

1. In the event that a Party receives notice of any accidents or incidents, that Party shall inform the other Party as soon as practicable. The accidents or incidents to be notified shall be mutually determined in advance by the Parties.

2. The Parties shall establish procedures, consistent with their respective domestic requirements, for the conduct of necessary administrative investigations in cooperation with each other, relating to any accident or incident in the Receiving State involving Official Vehicles, or vessels or aircraft owned by or for the exclusive use or service of the Sending State.

Article XXV

1. Each Party shall notify without delay the other Party of the death of any member of the Visiting Force or the Civilian Component in the Receiving State. The Receiving State shall endeavour to ensure that the identity of the deceased is not publicly disclosed without providing reasonable prior notification to the Sending State.

2. The Parties shall establish procedures for all other mortuary affairs matters including, but not limited to, the identification, processing, repatriation and disposal of the remains of a deceased member of the Visiting Force or of the Civilian Component and of his or her associated personal effects.

Article XXVI

The Parties shall cooperate in preventing any abuse or misuse of the privileges granted in favour of, and in ensuring proper discharge of the obligations imposed in this Agreement on, the members of the Visiting Force and the Civilian Component.