11. (1) The Assembly shall meet, without requiring to be convened on the first Tuesday of a session, other than the first session after an election, and shall itself determine the duration of adjournments of the session.

(2) Whenever during a session the House stands adjourned, whether or not a day has been appointed for the next meeting; the Speaker shall at any time he considers expedient, giving reasonable notice, call a special meeting.

(3) A sitting of a House is duly constituted when it is presided over by the Speaker or such other Member as may be elected under <u>Article 56</u> of the Treaty.

(4) Any Committee may request the Speaker with reasons, that any meeting of the Assembly be held in a place other than its seat and the Speaker shall put the request before the House but if the matter is urgent the Speaker shall take a decision and any rejection of such request shall state the reasons thereof.

(5) The Assembly shall hold its sittings and its committee meetings at the place fixed as its seat under the provisions of <u>Rule 2.</u>

(6) The House shall sit on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.

(7) The Assembly may, on a resolution adopted by a majority of its Members, decide to hold one or more sittings elsewhere within the Partner States, other than at its seat.

(8) Notwithstanding the provisions of sub-rule (7) and rule (16), the Speaker may, having regard to the state of business of the House, direct that sittings be held outside the period or days prescribed in those sub-rules.

(9) The House shall sit for not less than 80 days for plenary and not less than 40 days for Committee Meetings.