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In accordance with Articles 22 and 23 of the Statute of the Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD), elections for a Chairman and a Vice Chairman of the Commission shall be held on the first day of the Commission's regular ordinary session.

Article 22 provides that these elections shall be held annually. Article 23 provides that election to these offices requires an absolute majority of votes of the members of the Commission present and that the voting shall be by secret ballot.

The text of these articles is as follows:

Article 22

The Commission shall have a Chairman and Vice Chairman elected from among its member states. The offices of Chairman and Vice Chairman shall be held by the Principal Representatives of those member states elected.

Elections to these offices shall be held each year, on the first day of the Commission's regular ordinary session.

Article 15.

The Chairman and Vice Chairman shall be elected by an absolute majority of the members of the Commission present. If more than one round of voting is required, the candidate who receives the least number of votes shall be eliminated until a winning candidate is selected.

The voting shall be by secret ballot.

