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EIGHTIETH SESSION

STATUS REPORT ON OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS

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I. INTRODUCTION

1. At its Seventy-eighth Session in November 1999, the Council reviewed document MC/1981 "Status Report on Outstanding Contributions". This paper was submitted as a result of discussions in the Council during previous years in order to inform Member States on the current status concerning the arrears of assessed contributions.
2. Having recalled the discussions held in the Subcommittee on Budget and Finance and in the Executive Committee, the Council decided to endorse the Executive Committee's recommendation to urge all Members in arrears to make every effort to pay their outstanding contributions as soon as possible. In particular, it urged those Member States whose contributions had been outstanding for two or more years to agree to a satisfactory repayment plan as soon as possible.
3. The matter was further reviewed by the Executive Committee at its Ninety-seventh Session in June 2000 when those Member States in arrears were again urged to make every effort to pay their contributions and to agree where applicable to satisfactory repayment plans.

II. ACTION TAKEN BY THE ADMINISTRATION AND CURRENT STATUS

4. Following the Council session in November 1999, the statement of account attached to the Director General's letter of 14 December 1999 regarding the assessed contributions to the Administrative Part of the Budget for 2000 drew the attention of the concerned Member States to their status as being in arrears by two years or more.
5. Furthermore, in accordance with the now standard procedure for the Administration to pursue this matter, the Deputy Director General addressed a letter on 7 April 2000 to those Member States falling within the provisions of Article 4 of the Constitution. The letter drew particular attention to the appeal made by the Council during its meetings in November 1999 to all concerned Member States and reiterated the Administration's readiness to assist in resolving the situation. This action was followed on 2 October 2000, when the Director General addressed a further letter to concerned Member States requesting a response by the end of October 2000 to the various appeals that had been made, in order to avoid the necessity for action by the Council during the forthcoming meetings in November 2000. Copies of both these letters were also forwarded to the attention of the IOM Chiefs of Mission in the countries concerned, for follow-up action with the appropriate local government authorities.
6. With respect to those Member States in arrears by two years or more, during the course of 2000 one Member State, Kenya, paid the full amount of its outstanding contributions, whilst another, Angola, made a substantial payment but not such that its remaining balance fell below two full years in arrears. However, in response to the Director General's letter of 2 October 2000, it was confirmed by the Permanent Mission of Angola in Geneva that the matter concerning the payment of the balance of their arrears had been placed before the appropriate government department in Luanda. On the other hand,

whereas four other Member States, Bolivia, Nicaragua, Tajikistan and Uganda, have made payments towards their arrears, in none of these cases were payments made in conjunction with a repayment plan nor were they sufficient to reduce their outstanding contributions to less than two years in arrears. In another case, it was confirmed by the IOM Office in Guatemala that the Government of Guatemala had proposed the complete payment of their arrears by the end of the year.

7. At the time of writing, the cases cited above represented the only payments or specific responses to the Administration's proposals to establish repayment plans. The position regarding assessed contributions from Member States as of 30 September 2000 is shown in Annex I; Member States falling under the provisions of Article 4 of the Constitution are marked with an asterisk. Annex II provides a comparison of outstanding contributions at year-end during the last eight years and the status as at 30 September 2000. The figures represent a slight decrease in outstanding contributions, both in terms of amount (CHF 4,214,572 at 30 September 2000 compared with CHF 4,374,476 at 30 September 1999) and percentage in relation to total assessed contributions for the year (12.3 per cent at 30 September 2000 compared with 12.8 per cent at 30 September 1999).

8. An updated status report on the receipt of contributions will be presented at the November 2000 Council session.

ADMINISTRATIVE PART OF THE BUDGET
OUTSTANDING ASSESSED CONTRIBUTIONS
POSITION AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2000

(in Swiss francs)

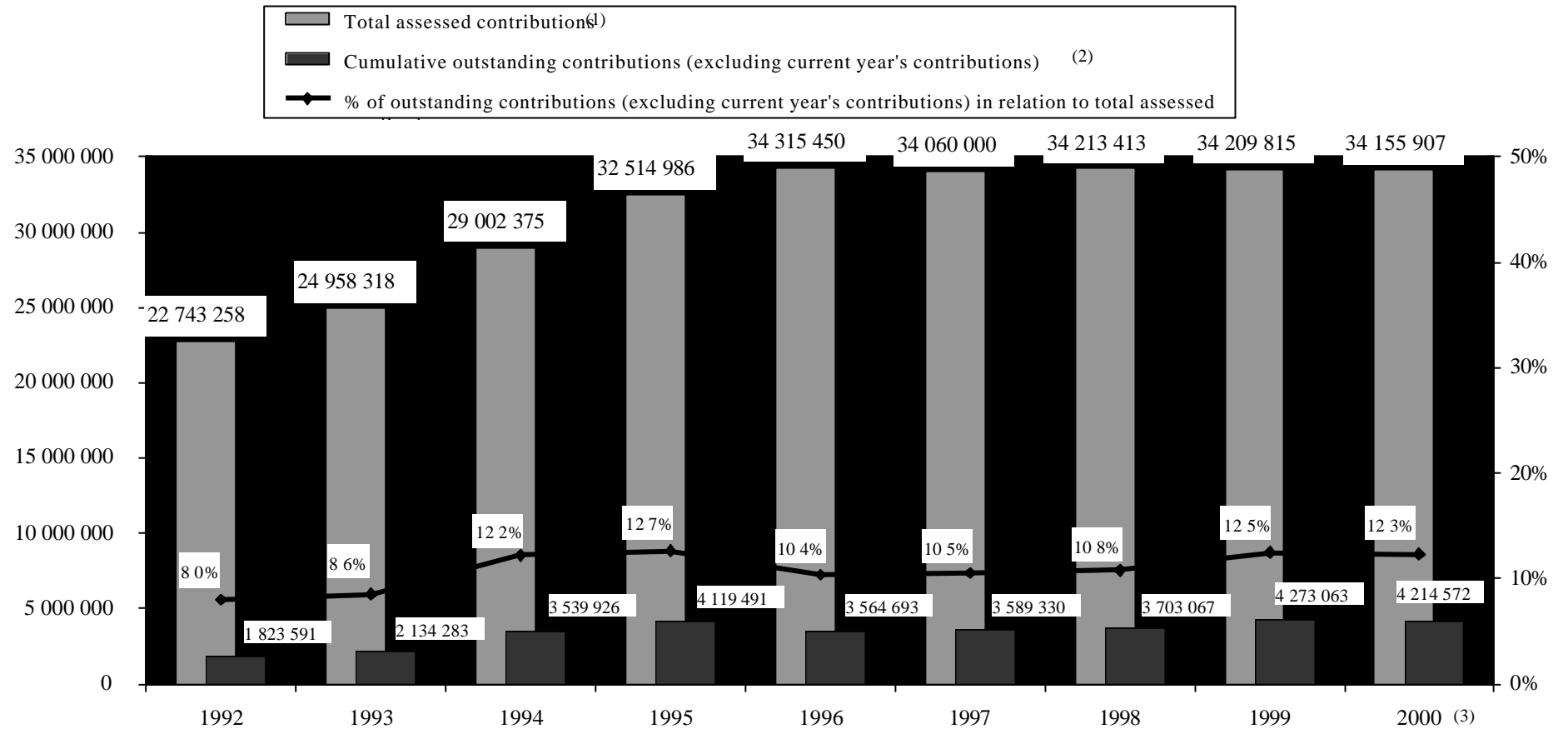
Member States	1999	1998	Previous Years	Total
Albania*	17 021	32 660	34 060	83 741
Angola*	17 021	32 660		49 681
Argentina*	368 005	372 324	831 064	1 571 393
Armenia*	17 021	32 660	86 695	136 376
Australia				
Austria				
Bangladesh				
Belgium				
Bolivia*	17 021	32 660	411 655	461 336
Bulgaria				
Canada				
Chile				
Colombia				
Costa Rica				
Croatia				
Cyprus				
Czech Republic				
Denmark				
Dominican Republic*	17 021	32 660	524 904	574 585
Ecuador*	17 021	32 660	153 822	203 503
Egypt				
El Salvador				
Finland				
France				
Germany				
Greece				
Guatemala* (a)	17 021	32 660	144 603	194 284
Guinea-Bissau	17 021			17 021
Haiti				
Honduras				
Hungary				
Israel				
Italy				
Japan				
Jordan				
Kenya				
Latvia				
Liberia*	17 021	32 660	68 120	117 801
Lithuania				
Luxembourg				
Mali*	17 021	19 507		36 528
Morocco	17 362			17 362
Netherlands				
Nicaragua*	17 021	32 660	88 695	138 376
Norway				
Pakistan				
Panama				
Paraguay	17 021	17 039		34 060
Peru	31 450			31 450
Philippines				
Poland				
Portugal				
Korea, Rep. of				
Romania				
Senegal	1 841			1 841
Slovakia				
South Africa				
Sri Lanka				
Sudan	21			21
Sweden				
Switzerland				
Tajikistan*	17 021	32 660	98 605	148 286
Thailand				
Tunisia				
Uganda*	17 021	32 660	114 488	164 169
United Republic of Tanzania	17 021			17 021
United States of America				
Uruguay				
Venezuela				
Yemen				
Zambia*	17 021	32 660	166 056	215 737
Total	691 015	800 790	2 722 767	4 214 572

* Member State subject to Article 4 of the Constitution

*(a) Repayment plan agreed; payment pending

Annex II

STATUS OF ASSESSED CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE PART OF THE BUDGET (1992-2000)
(expressed in Swiss francs)



Notes:

- (1) Total assessed contributions due for the corresponding year.
- (2) Cumulative outstanding contributions outstanding for more than one year at the corresponding year end.
- (3) The status of 2000 cumulative outstanding contributions is as of 30 September 2000.