

# GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

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## OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 1978

### Note by the Director-General

1. The Director-General herewith reports on the status of outstanding contributions as at 30 September 1978.
2. Outstanding contributions amounted to US\$117,553 (SwF 191,611 at the accounting rate of SwF 1.63/US\$1 effective as at 30 September 1978) in respect of assessments for the years 1966 to 1972, to SwF 2,065,168 for the years 1973 to 1977 and to SwF 5,653,258 in respect of current year's assessments. Thus a total of SwF 7,910,037 was due on 30 September 1978, compared to amounts of SwF 5,264,411 on 30 September 1977, SwF 6,523,472 on 30 September 1976 and SwF 3,960,215 on 30 September 1975. Contributions due from contracting parties as at 30 September 1978 are shown in the attached table.
3. The amount of SwF 5,653,258 still due on 30 September 1978 in respect of 1978 contributions represented 14.96 per cent of the total assessment. The corresponding figures were SwF 3,492,041 (9.81 per cent) in 1977, SwF 4,931,653 (14.66 per cent) in 1976 and SwF 2,927,461 (11.10 per cent) in 1975.
4. The Director-General has taken every opportunity, either in writing or by personal contacts, to remind governments of the importance of prompt payment of their contributions and of total settlement of arrears.
5. The present situation with regard to governments whose contributions are two or more years in arrears is as follows:

Central African Empire: The latest payment, covering the balance of the contribution for 1973, the contribution for 1974 and part of the contribution for 1975, was received in May 1978.

Chad: The latest payment, covering part of the contribution for 1969, was received in February 1978.

Colombia: The latest payment, covering an advance to the Working Capital Fund, the pro-rata contribution for 1975 and part of the contribution for 1976 was received in June 1977.

Congo, People's Republic of the: The latest payment, covering the balance of the contribution for 1972, the contribution for 1973 and part of the contribution for 1974, was received in June 1977. Payment of a substantial part of the outstanding arrears has been announced in September 1978.

Dominican Republic: The latest payment, which partly covered the 1966 contribution, was received in 1970. A letter of acknowledgement of receipt of a reminder letter was received in July 1978.

Haiti: The Government of Haiti has undertaken to make regular payments until the entire balance of arrears of contributions has been liquidated. Payments have been received in April, June and August 1978, covering the balance of the 1963 contribution, the contributions for 1964, 1965, 1966 and 1967, part of the contribution for 1968 and an advance to the Working Capital Fund.

Ivory Coast: Payment of the balance of the contribution for 1976 and a substantial part of the contribution for 1977 has been announced in August 1978.

Kampuchea, Democratic: The latest payment, covering part of the contribution for 1973, was received in January 1974. Postal communication between Kampuchea, Democratic and Switzerland has been suspended since 1974.

Mauritania: The latest payment, covering part of the contribution for 1976, was received in January 1978.

Nicaragua: The latest payment, covering the balance of the contribution for 1972, the 1973 contribution and part of the contribution for 1974, was received in May 1976. Payment of the balance of the contribution for 1974, the 1975 contribution and part of the contribution for 1976 was announced in February 1978.

Sierra Leone: The latest payment, covering the contribution for 1974, was received in February 1975.

Togo: The latest payment, covering part of the contribution for 1976, was received in August 1977. The payment of the balance of the 1976 contribution, the 1977 contribution and part of the 1978 contribution has been announced in September 1978.

Country	US dollars 1963/1972		Swiss francs					Total 1973/1978
			1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	
Argentina	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	34,120
Bangladesh	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	45,400
Benin	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	44,772
Brazil	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	18,134
Burundi	.	.	.	.	.	.	25,695	45,400
Central African Empire	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	45,400
Chad	1969/1972	15,815	25,500	27,800	23,143	40,300	42,700	151,543
Chile	.	.	.	.	31,600	40,300	42,700	45,400
Colombia	.	.	.	.	.	6,043	25,187	83,100
Congo, People's Republic of the	.	.	.	13,958	31,600	40,300	42,700	45,400
Cuba	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	128,500
Dominican Republic	1966/1972	33,101	25,500	27,800	31,600	40,300	42,700	45,400
Gabon	.	.	.	.	.	.	19,603	45,400
Gambia	.	.	.	.	.	.	21,473	45,400
Guyana	.	.	.	.	.	.	4,836	45,400
Haiti	1968/1972	19,687	25,500	27,800	31,600	40,300	42,700	45,400
Indonesia	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	151,200
Italy	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	178,281
Ivory Coast	.	.	.	.	.	4,778	53,400	52,900
Kampuchea Democratic	.	.	12,106	27,800	31,600	40,300	42,700	45,400
Kenya	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	37,624
Madagascar	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1,544
Mauritania	.	.	.	.	.	31,136	42,700	45,400
Nicaragua	.	.	.	18,938	31,600	40,300	42,700	45,400
Nigeria, Fed.	.	.	.	.	.	.	160,684	362,800
Peru	.	.	.	.	.	.	60,500	71,800
Philippines	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	83,644
Portugal <sup>1</sup>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	158,700
Rhodesia <sup>1</sup>	1966/1972	48,950	25,500	27,800	31,600	40,300	42,700	45,400
Rwanda	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	45,400
Senegal	.	.	.	.	.	.	2,361	45,400
Sierra Leone	.	.	.	.	31,600	40,300	42,700	45,400
Sri Lanka	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2,700
Tanzania	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	9,039
Togo	.	.	.	.	.	2,057	42,700	45,400
Turkey	.	.	.	.	.	.	131,700	151,200
Uganda	.	.	.	.	.	.	3,870	45,400
USA	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2,721,600
Upper Volta	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	45,400
Uruguay	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	45,400
Yugoslavia	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	287,200
Zaire	.	.	.	.	.	.	46,300	45,400
Total		117,553	114,106	171,896	275,943	406,714	1,096,509	5,653,258

1966 to 1972: US\$117,553 at SwF 1.63 to US\$1.-

191,611

SwF 7,910,037

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<sup>1</sup>US\$364 also due in respect of Working Capital Fund assessment.