

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

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OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 1979

Note by the Director-General

1. The Director-General herewith reports on the status of outstanding contributions as at 30 September 1979.
2. Outstanding contributions amounted to US\$97,866 (SwF 162,458 at the accounting rate of SwF 1.66/US\$1 effective as at 30 September 1979) in respect of assessments for the years 1966 to 1972, to SwF 3,069,241 for the years 1973 to 1978 and to SwF 5,576,987 in respect of current year's assessments. Thus a total of SwF 8,808,686 was due on 30 September 1979, compared to amounts of SwF 7,910,037 on 30 September 1978, SwF 5,264,411 on 30 September 1977 and SwF 6,523,472 on 30 September 1976. Contributions due from contracting parties as at 30 September 1979 are shown in the attached table.
3. The amount of SwF 5,576,987 still due on 30 September 1979 in respect of 1979 contributions represented 14.75 per cent of the total assessment. The corresponding figures were SwF 5,653,258 (14.96 per cent) in 1978, SwF 3,492,041 (9.81 per cent) in 1977 and SwF 4,931,653 (14.66 per cent) in 1976.
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:

Burundi: The latest payment, covering the balance of the contribution for 1976 and a part of the contribution for 1977, was received in April 1978. Since that date no correspondence has been received by the secretariat.

Central African Republic: 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. Since that date no correspondence has been received by the secretariat.

Chad: The latest payment, covering part of the contribution for 1969, was received in February 1978. Since that date no correspondence has been received by the secretariat.

Colombia: A first payment, covering the advance to the Working Capital Fund, the pro-rata contribution for 1975 and part of the contribution for 1976 was received in June 1977. Since that date no communication has been received by the secretariat.

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 which was announced in September 1978, has not been received to-date.

Dominican Republic: The latest payment, which partly covered the 1966 contribution, was received in 1970. A letter of acknowledgement for a reminder letter was received in July 1978. No other communication has been received since that date.

Gambia: The latest payment covering part of the contribution for 1977 was received in March 1977. No correspondence has been received by the secretariat since that date.

Guyana: The latest payment covering the balance of the contribution for 1976 and part of the 1977 contribution was received in July 1977. Since that date, no communication has been received by the secretariat.

Haiti: The Government of Haiti has undertaken to make regular payments until the entire balance of arrears of contributions has been liquidated. Since April 1978, 11 payments for a total amount of US\$75,000.- have been received by the secretariat, covering the balance of the contribution for 1963, the contributions for 1964 to 1974, part of the contribution for 1975 as well as an additional advance to the Working Capital Fund which was due as at 1 January 1966.

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 a part of the contribution for 1976, was received in November 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, which was announced in February 1978, has not yet been received by the secretariat.

Nigeria: The latest payment covering the balance of the contribution for 1975, the contribution for 1976 and part of the contribution for 1977 was received in June 1978. The secretariat was informed in January 1979 that the question of payment of outstanding contributions was receiving necessary attention.

Sierra Leone: The latest payment, covering the contribution for 1974, was received in February 1975. No correspondence has been received since February 1977.

Togo: The latest payment covering the balance of the contribution for 1976 and part of the contribution for 1977 was received in March 1979.

Turkey: The latest payment covering part of the contribution for 1977 was received in October 1978.

Uganda: The latest payment covering the contribution for 1976 and part of the contribution for 1977 was received in November 1977. Since that date no further communication has been received.

STATEMENT OF OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 1979

| Country | US dollars | | Swiss francs | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------|------------|--------|--------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|-----------|-----------------------|
| | 1966/1972 | | 1973 | 1974 | 1975 | 1976 | 1977 | 1978 | 1979 |
| | | | | | | | | | Total 1973/1979 |
| Bangladesh | | | | | | | | | 45,400 |
| Benin | | | | | | | | 44,772 | 45,400 |
| Burundi | | | | | | | 25,695 | 45,400 | 45,400 |
| Cameroon | | | | | | | | | 45,173 |
| Central African Republic | | | | | 23,143 | 40,300 | 42,700 | 45,400 | 45,400 |
| Chad | 1969/1972 | 15,815 | 25,500 | 27,800 | 31,600 | 40,300 | 42,700 | 45,400 | 45,400 |
| Chile | | | | | | | | | 61,560 |
| Colombia | | | | | | 6,043 | 71,200 | 75,600 | 68,000 |
| Congo, People's Republic of the | | | | 13,958 | 31,600 | 40,300 | 42,700 | 45,400 | 45,400 |
| Dominican Republic | 1966/1972 | 33,101 | 25,500 | 27,800 | 31,600 | 40,300 | 42,700 | 45,400 | 45,400 |
| Egypt | | | | | | | | | 124,700 ^{1/} |
| Gabon | | | | | | | | | 42,836 |
| Gambia | | | | | | | 21,473 | 45,400 | 45,400 |
| Ghana | | | | | | | | | 45,400 |
| Guyana | | | | | | | 4,836 | 45,400 | 45,400 |
| Haiti | | | | | 18,006 | 40,300 | 42,700 | 45,400 | 45,400 |
| Ivory Coast | | | | | | | | 11,473 | 52,900 |
| Kampuchea Democratic | | | 12,106 | 27,800 | 31,600 | 40,300 | 42,700 | 45,400 | 45,400 |
| Kenya | | | | | | | | | 26,109 |
| Madagascar | | | | | | | | | 2,295 |
| Mauritania | | | | | | 25,219 | 42,700 | 45,400 | 45,400 |
| Nicaragua | | | | 18,938 | 31,600 | 40,300 | 42,700 | 45,400 | 45,400 |
| Nigeria | | | | | | | 160,684 | 362,800 | 347,700 |
| Peru | | | | | | | | | 75,600 |
| Philippines | | | | | | | | | 91,366 |
| Rhodesia | 1966/1972 | 48,950 | 25,500 | 27,800 | 31,600 | 40,300 | 42,700 | 45,400 | 45,400 |
| Rwanda | | | | | | | | | 22,700 |
| Senegal | | | | | | | | 21,816 | 45,400 |
| Sierra Leone | | | | | 31,600 | 40,300 | 42,700 | 45,400 | 45,400 |
| Spain | | | | | | | | | 574,500 |
| Sri Lanka | | | | | | | | | 16,648 |
| Tanzania | | | | | | | | 9,039 | 45,400 |
| Togo | | | | | | | 11,716 | 45,400 | 45,400 |
| Tunisia | | | | | | | | | 6,900 |
| Turkey | | | | | | | 74,445 | 151,200 | 151,100 |
| Uganda | | | | | | | 3,870 | 45,400 | 45,400 |
| United States | | | | | | | | | 2,725,200 |
| Upper Volta | | | | | | | | 21,609 | 45,400 |
| Uruguay | | | | | | | | | 45,400 |
| Yugoslavia | | | | | | | | | 142,900 |
| Total | | 97,866 | 88,606 | 144,096 | 262,349 | 393,962 | 800,919 | 1,379,309 | 5,576,987 |

1966 to 1972: US\$97,866 at SwF 1.66 to US\$1.-

162,458

8,808,686

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