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STATUS REPORT ON OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS

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I. INTRODUCTION

1. At its Eighty-second Session in November 2001, the Council reviewed the Status Report on Outstanding Contributions (MC/2050). This document 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-ninth Session in June 2002 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 2001, the statement of account attached to the Director General's letter of 7 December 2001, regarding the assessed contributions to the Administrative Part of the Budget for 2002, drew the attention of the Member States concerned to their status of 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 30 April 2002 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 session in November 2001 to all Member States concerned and reiterated the Administration's readiness to assist in resolving the situation. This action was followed on 9 October 2002 by a further letter addressed by the Deputy Director General to those Member States concerned, requesting a response by the end of October 2002 to the various appeals that had been made, in order to avoid the necessity for action by the Council during the forthcoming session in December 2002. 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 falling within the provisions of Article 4 of the Constitution during the course of 2002, the Administration was pleased to record the receipt of an amount of CHF 82,950 from Peru, representing the payment of arrears of

contributions from 1999 to 2001, thereby removing Peru from the provisions of Article 4 of the Constitution. On the other hand, whereas two other Member States, Tajikistan and Uganda, have made payments towards their arrears, in neither 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. The following 18 Member States are currently subject to the provisions of Article 4 of the Constitution, six more than the position at the November 2001 Council Session: Albania, Angola, Argentina, Armenia, Bolivia, Côte d'Ivoire, Dominican Republic, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Haiti, Liberia, Mali, Nicaragua, Senegal, Sudan, Tajikistan, Uganda and Zambia.

7. At the time of writing, the cases cited above represent the only payments received during 2002 with respect to Member States subject to Article 4 of the Constitution. The balances regarding assessed contributions from Member States as of 30 September 2002 is shown in Annex I; Member States falling under the provisions of Article 4 of the Constitution are marked in bold with an asterisk. Annex II provides a comparison of outstanding contributions at year-end during the last nine years and the status as at 30 September 2002. The balance outstanding at this date represents a considerable increase (CHF 1,321,381) over the balance of outstanding contributions recorded at the same date last year (CHF 5,499,825 at 30 September 2002 compared with CHF 4,261,394 at 30 September 2001). It also indicates a substantial increase in percentage in relation to total assessed contributions for the year (15.2 per cent at 30 September 2002 compared with 11.9 per cent at 30 September 2001).

8. An updated status report on the receipt of contributions will be presented at the December 2002 Council Session.

Annex I
ADMINISTRATIVE PART OF THE BUDGET
OUTSTANDING ASSESSED CONTRIBUTIONS
POSITION AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2002
(in Swiss francs)

Member States	2001	2000	Previous Years	Total
Albania*	17 828	17 013	83 741	118 582
Algeria				
Angola*	17 828	17 013	31	34 872
Argentina*	463 163	413 755	1 152 956	2 029 874
Armenia*	17 828	17 013	104 963	139 804
Australia				
Austria				
Azerbaijan	10 160			10 160
Bangladesh				
Belgium				
Belize				
Benin				
Bolivia*	17 828	17 013	443 541	478 382
Bulgaria				
Burkina Faso	17 828	9 669		27 497
Canada				
Cape Verde				
Chile				
Colombia				
Congo	10 160			10 160
Costa Rica				
Côte d'Ivoire*	17 828	9 669		27 497
Croatia				
Cyprus				
Czech Republic				
Dem. Republic of the Congo	10 160			10 160
Denmark				
Dominican Republic*	17 828	17 013	574 585	609 426
Ecuador				
Egypt				
El Salvador				
Finland				
France				
Gambia	10 160			10 160
Georgia	10 160			10 160
Germany				
Greece				
Guatemala				
Guinea*	17 828	9 669		27 497
Guinea-Bissau*	17 828	17 013	17 021	51 862
Haiti*	17 828	17 013		34 841
Honduras				
Hungary				
Ireland				
Israel	383 651	222 019		605 670
Italy				
Iran (Islamic Republic of)				
Japan				
Jordan				
Kenya				
Kyrgyzstan	17 828			17 828
Latvia				
Liberia*	17 828	17 013	117 801	152 642
Lithuania				
Luxembourg				
Madagascar				
Mali*	17 828	17 013	36 528	71 369
Mexico				
Morocco				
Netherlands				
Nicaragua*	17 828	17 013	97 876	132 717
Norway				
Pakistan				

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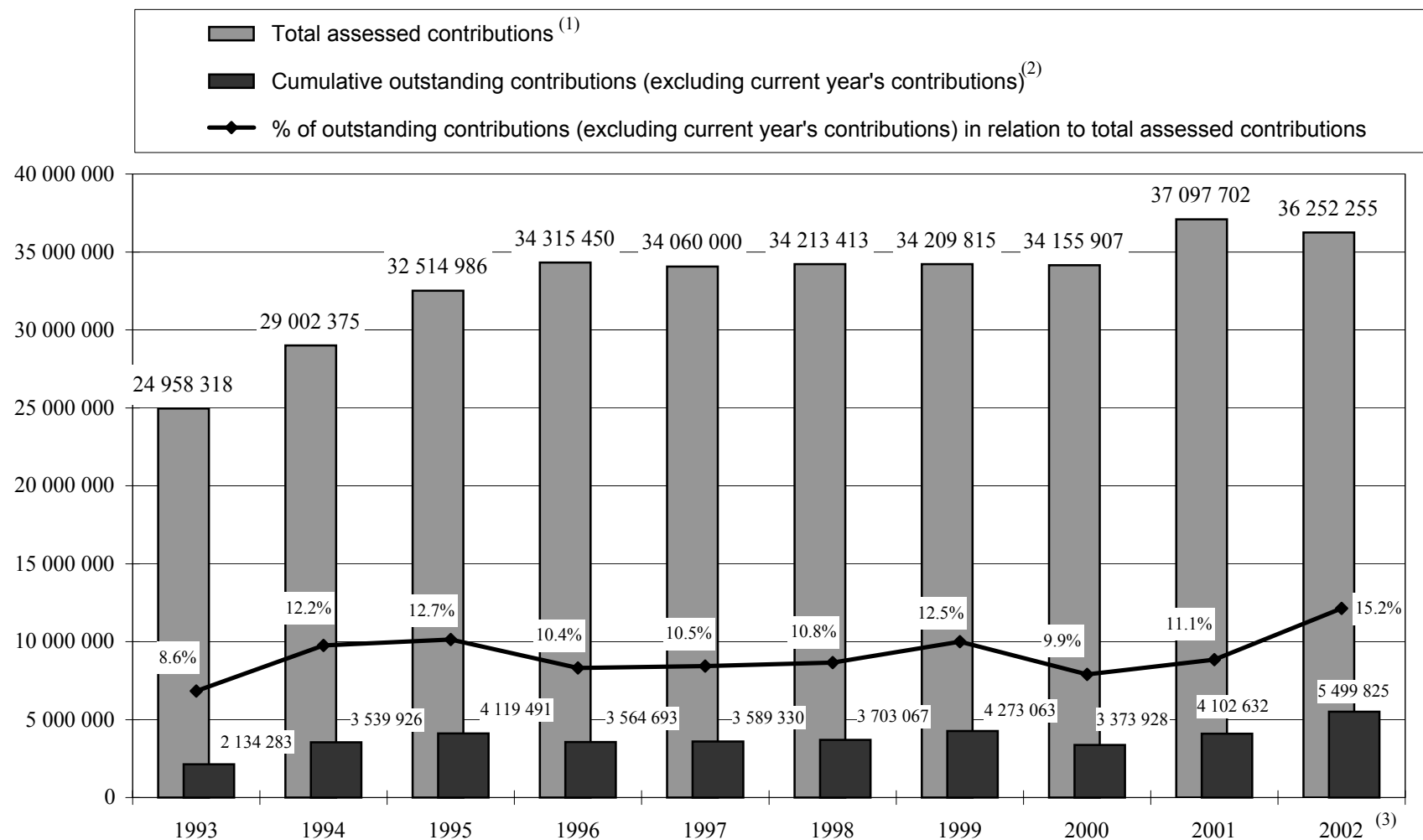
**ADMINISTRATIVE PART OF THE BUDGET
OUTSTANDING ASSESSED CONTRIBUTIONS
POSITION AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2002
(in Swiss francs)**

Member States	2001	2000	Previous Years	Total
Panama				
Paraguay				
Peru	28 666			28 666
Philippines				
Poland	82 364			82 364
Portugal				
Republic of Korea				
Romania				
Senegal*	17 828	17 013	1 841	36 682
Sierra Leone	10 160			10 160
Slovakia				
Slovenia				
South Africa	58 817			58 817
Sri Lanka				
Sudan*	17 828	17 013	21	34 862
Sweden				
Switzerland				
Tajikistan*	17 828	17 013	61 706	96 547
Thailand				
Tunisia				
Uganda*	17 828	17 013	131 295	166 136
Ukraine				
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland				
United Republic of Tanzania				
United States of America				
Uruguay	20 324			20 324
Venezuela	67 389	36 140		103 529
Yemen				
Yugoslavia, Federal Republic of				
Zambia*	17 828	17 013	215 737	250 578
Total	1 504 066	956 116	3 039 643	5 499 825

* Member State subject to Article 4 of the Constitution

Annex II

STATUS OF ASSESSED CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE PART OF THE BUDGET (1993-2002) (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 2002 cumulative outstanding contributions as of 30 September 2002.