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Resolution

Financial obligations of the Member States Status of collection of Assessed Contributions

The General Conference,

Considering that the Agency for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean – OPANAL is an integrating part of the Treaty of Tlatelolco, established by its Article 7;

Bearing in mind the provisions of Article 9, paragraph 3, of the Treaty of Tlatelolco, which establishes that “*the General Conference shall adopt the Agency’s budget and fix the scale of financial contributions to be paid by Member States*”;

Expressing with concern that the status of collection of assessed contributions to date amounts to 135,321.31 USD, representing only 32.45% of the approved budget for 2019, which means that, if there are no changes in this situation, the Agency may enter in financial crisis in the short term.

Considering, as indicated in the enclosed table, that twelve Member States – Bahamas, Belize, Bolivia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Ecuador, Grenada, Jamaica, Mexico, Nicaragua, Saint Lucia and Uruguay – are fully up to date with their financial obligations to the Agency for 2019.

Recognizing that two Member States – Peru and Dominican Republic – have partially covered their 2019 contributions;

Considering that twenty-one Member States have not yet paid their 2019 contributions, which amount to 281,667.69 USD (67.55%) of the budget;

Considering that eleven of those same Member States have not complied with their financial obligations regarding 2018, which amount to 86,739.45 USD;

Considering that eight of those same Member States have not yet paid their contributions for 2017, which amount to 84,857.00 USD;

Considering that seven of these Member States have not paid their contributions for 2016, adding up 64,008.00 USD;

Considering that six Member States have not paid their 2015 contributions, totaling 16,123.99 USD;

Considering that four Member States have not paid their contributions from 2014 to 2012, totaling 18,012.65 USD;

Bearing in mind that three Member States have not paid their contributions since they ratified the Treaty of Tlatelolco, adding up a debt of 291,078.30 USD;

Resolves:

1. **To recognize and thank** the effort made by the Member States who are up to date with their financial obligations to the Agency.
2. **To renew** its call to the Member States so that, in accordance with Article 9, paragraph 3, of the Treaty of Tlatelolco, they fully cover the contributions approved by them at the General Conference.

3. **To reiterate** that the existence of the Agency and the performance of its functions and therefore the integrity and permanence of the Treaty of Tlatelolco depend on OPANAL having the financial resources provided for in decisions of the General Conference.
4. **To request** the Council to continue considering the matter in order to avoid an insolvency situation of the Agency, giving, where appropriate, the pertinent instructions to the Secretary-General.

ANNEX

	MEMBER STATES THAT PAID THEIR CONTRIBUTION	MEMBER STATES THAT DID NOT PAY	DEBT OF THE YEAR (USD)
2019	12	21	281,667.69
2018	22	11	86,739.45
2017	25	8	84,857.00
2016	26	7	64,008.00
2015	27	6	16,123.99
2014	29	4	6,297.00
2013	29	4	6,297.00
2012	29	4	5,418.65
2011	30	3	4,754.00