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# Measures for some Member States to overcome their situation of non-compliance with the financial obligations established by the Treaty of Tlatelolco

Since the beginning of his mandate, the Secretary-General has drawn attention to the importance of all Member States complying with the obligations established in the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean –Treaty of Tlatelolco, including financial obligations (Article 9, Paragraph 3).

Unfortunately, one Member State – El Salvador – has not complied with the obligation established in Article 9 paragraph 3 of the Treaty of Tlatelolco since it ratified the Treaty.

It has been sought on several occasions that said Member State overcomes the political and legal situation of non-compliance in which it finds itself.

The accumulated debt of El Salvador as of 2020 amounts to US\$ 130,242.50. On the other hand, five Member States –Antigua and Barbuda, Dominica, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago and Venezuela – have a debt exceeding two years. The Secretariat proposes that the necessary contacts and procedures be carried out so that El Salvador, Antigua and Barbuda, Dominica, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago and Venezuela overcome the political and legal situation of non-compliance of the Treaty of Tlatelolco in which they find themselves and achieve their full reincorporation to the activities of the Agency.

The Secretariat proposes a discount payment program to regularize the situation of these six States, which could consist of the following provisions:

- a) payment of its contributions due until 2020 with a 50% discount for El Salvador;
- b) payment of their contributions due until 2020 with a 20% discount for Antigua and Barbuda, Dominica, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, and Venezuela;

- c) each of the aforementioned Member States must express in writing, no later than 31 January 2022, their acceptance of the proposed payment plan to regularize their situation;
- d) the payment plan is detailed according to the following table:

## **ANNEX:**

Member State	Debt to 31/12/2020 (USD)	Discount according to payment plan	Total amount to be deducted (USD)	Total amount to be paid (USD)
El Salvador	130,242.50	50%	65,121.25	65,121.25
Antigua and Barbuda	13,008.65	20%	2,601.73	10.406.92
Dominica	4,629.00	20%	925.80	3,703.20
Suriname	7,715.00	20%	1,543.00	6,172.00
Trinidad and Tobago	50,790.00	20%	10,158.00	40,632.00
Venezuela	239,876.99	20%	47,975.40	191,901.59