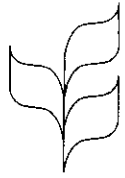




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INFORMATION NOTE

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations

Paragraph 2 of decision I/6 on *Financing of and budget for the Convention* adopted by the Conference of the Parties at its first meeting requested the Secretariat to make available at its second meeting the comprehensive review of all aspects of scale methodology undertaken by the United Nations General Assembly.

Accordingly, the "scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations" adopted by the Forty-ninth session of the General Assembly is annexed to this note.





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SCALE OF ASSESSMENTS FOR THE APPORTIONMENT
OF THE EXPENSES OF THE UNITED NATIONS

Draft resolution submitted by the Chairman following
informal consultations

The General Assembly,

Reaffirming that the capacity to pay of Member States is the fundamental criterion for determining the scale of assessments,

Recognizing the obligation of Member States, under Article 17 of the Charter of the United Nations, to bear the expenses of the Organization as apportioned by the General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 48/223 B of 23 December 1993,

Having considered the report of the Committee on Contributions, 1/

1. Reaffirms the importance of the recommendations of the Committee on Contributions for the General Assembly in deciding the apportionment of the expenses of the Organization among Member States in accordance with rule 160 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly;
2. Resolves that the scale of assessments for the contributions of Member States to the regular budget of the United Nations for the years 1995, 1996 and 1997 shall be as follows:

1/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 11 (A/49/11).



<u>Member State</u>	<u>1995</u>	<u>1996</u>	<u>1997</u>
		(Percentage)	
Afghanistan	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Albania	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Algeria	0.16	0.1600	0.16
Andorra	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Angola	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Antigua and Barbuda	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Argentina	0.48	0.4800	0.48
Armenia	0.08	0.0550	0.05
Australia	1.46	1.4800	1.48
Austria	0.85	0.8650	0.87
Azerbaijan	0.16	0.1175	0.11
Bahamas	0.02	0.0200	0.02
Bahrain	0.02	0.0200	0.02
Bangladesh	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Barbados	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Belarus	0.37	0.2925	0.28
Belgium	0.99	1.0075	1.01
Belize	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Benin	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Bhutan	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Bolivia	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Bosnia and Herzegovina	0.02	0.0125	0.01
Botswana	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Brazil	1.62	1.6200	1.62
Brunei Darussalam	0.02	0.0200	0.02
Bulgaria	0.10	0.0825	0.08
Burkina Faso	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Burundi	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Cambodia	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Cameroon	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Canada	3.07	3.1025	3.11
Cape Verde	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Central African Republic	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Chad	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Chile	0.08	0.0800	0.08
China	0.72	0.7350	0.74
Colombia	0.11	0.1000	0.10

<u>Member State</u>	<u>1995</u>	<u>1996</u>	<u>1997</u>
		(Percentage)	
Comoros	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Congo	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Costa Rica	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Côte d'Ivoire	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Croatia	0.10	0.0900	0.09
Cuba	0.07	0.0525	0.05
Cyprus	0.03	0.0300	0.03
Czech Republic	0.32	0.2600	0.25
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	0.04	0.0500	0.05
Denmark	0.70	0.7175	0.72
Djibouti	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Dominica	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Dominican Republic	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Ecuador	0.02	0.0200	0.02
Egypt	0.07	0.0700	0.08
El Salvador	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Equatorial Guinea	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Eritrea	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Estonia	0.05	0.0425	0.04
Ethiopia	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Fiji	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Finland	0.61	0.6175	0.62
France	6.32	6.4075	6.42
Gabon	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Gambia	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Georgia	0.16	0.1175	0.11
Germany	8.94	9.0425	9.06
Ghana	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Greece	0.37	0.3800	0.38
Grenada	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Guatemala	0.02	0.0200	0.02
Guinea	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Guinea-Bissau	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Guyana	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Haiti	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Honduras	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Hungary	0.15	0.1400	0.14

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<u>Member State</u>	<u>1995</u>	<u>1996</u>	<u>1997</u>
		(Percentage)	
Iceland	0.03	0.0300	0.03
India	0.31	0.3100	0.31
Indonesia	0.14	0.1400	0.14
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	0.60	0.4675	0.45
Iraq	0.14	0.1400	0.14
Ireland	0.20	0.2100	0.21
Israel	0.26	0.2675	0.27
Italy	4.79	5.1975	5.25
Jamaica	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Japan	13.95	15.4350	15.65
Jordan	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Kazakhstan	0.26	0.2000	0.19
Kenya	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Kuwait	0.20	0.1900	0.19
Kyrgyzstan	0.04	0.0325	0.03
Lao People's Democratic Republic	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Latvia	0.10	0.0825	0.08
Lebanon	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Lesotho	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Liberia	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	0.21	0.2025	0.20
Liechtenstein	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Lithuania	0.11	0.0850	0.08
Luxembourg	0.07	0.0700	0.07
Madagascar	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Malawi	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Malaysia	0.14	0.1400	0.14
Maldives	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Mali	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Malta	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Marshall Islands	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Mauritania	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Mauritius	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Mexico	0.78	0.7875	0.79
Micronesia (Federated States of)	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Monaco	0.01	0.0100	0.
Mongolia	0.01	0.0100	0.01

<u>Member State</u>	<u>1995</u>	<u>1996</u>	<u>1997</u>
	(Percentage)		
Morocco	0.03	0.0300	0.03
Mozambique	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Myanmar	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Namibia	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Nepal	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Netherlands	1.58	1.5875	1.59
New Zealand	0.24	0.2400	0.24
Nicaragua	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Niger	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Nigeria	0.16	0.1150	0.11
Norway	0.55	0.5600	0.56
Oman	0.04	0.0400	0.04
Pakistan	0.06	0.0600	0.06
Palau ^{2/}
Panama	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Papua New Guinea	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Paraguay	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Peru	0.06	0.0600	0.06
Philippines	0.06	0.0600	0.06
Poland	0.38	0.3375	0.33
Portugal	0.24	0.2750	0.28
Qatar	0.04	0.0400	0.04
Republic of Korea	0.80	0.8175	0.82
Republic of Moldova	0.11	0.0850	0.08
Romania	0.15	0.1500	0.15
Russian Federation	5.68	4.4500	4.27
Rwanda	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Saint Kitts and Nevis	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Saint Lucia	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Samoa	0.01	0.0100	0.01
San Marino	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Sao Tome and Principe	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Saudi Arabia	0.80	0.7200	0.71

^{2/} The assessment rate of the Republic of Palau is to be determined by the Committee on Contributions during its fifty-fifth session.

<u>Member State</u>	<u>1995</u>	<u>1996</u>	<u>1997</u>
		(Percentage)	
Senegal	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Seychelles	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Sierra Leone	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Singapore	0.14	0.1400	0.14
Slovakia	0.10	0.0825	0.08
Slovenia	0.07	0.0700	0.07
Solomon Islands	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Somalia	0.01	0.0100	0.01
South Africa	0.34	0.3225	0.32
Spain	2.24	2.3625	2.38
Sri Lanka	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Sudan	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Suriname	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Swaziland	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Sweden	1.22	1.2275	1.23
Syrian Arab Republic	0.05	0.0500	0.05
Tajikistan	0.03	0.0200	0.02
Thailand	0.13	0.1300	0.13
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Togo	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Trinidad and Tobago	0.04	0.0325	0.03
Tunisia	0.03	0.0300	0.03
Turkey	0.34	0.3750	0.38
Turkmenistan	0.04	0.0325	0.03
Uganda	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Ukraine	1.48	1.1400	1.09
United Arab Emirates	0.19	0.1900	0.19
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	5.27	5.3150	5.32
United Republic of Tanzania	0.01	0.0100	0.01
United States of America	25.00	25.0000	25.00
Uruguay	0.04	0.0400	0.04
Uzbekistan	0.19	0.1375	0.13
Vanuatu	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Venezuela	0.40	0.3375	0.33
Viet Nam	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Yemen	0.01	0.0100	0.01

<u>Member State</u>	<u>1995</u>	<u>1996</u>	<u>1997</u>
		(Percentage)	
Yugoslavia	0.11	0.1025	0.10
Zaire	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Zambia	0.01	0.0100	0.01
Zimbabwe	<u>0.01</u>	<u>0.0100</u>	<u>0.01</u>
Total	<u>100.00</u>	<u>100.0000</u>	<u>100.00</u>

3. Resolves also that:

(a) Notwithstanding the terms of regulation 5.5 of the Financial Regulations of the United Nations, the Secretary-General shall be empowered to accept, at his discretion and after consultation with the Chairman of the Committee on Contributions, a portion of the contributions of Member States for the calendar years 1995, 1996 and 1997 in currencies other than United States dollars;

(b) In accordance with regulation 5.9 of the Financial Regulations of the United Nations, States which are not members of the United Nations but which participate in certain of its activities shall be called upon to contribute towards the 1995, 1996 and 1997 expenses of the Organization on the basis of the following rates:

<u>Non-Member State</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
Holy See	0.01
Nauru	0.01
Switzerland	1.21
Tonga	0.01

These rates represent the basis for the calculation of the flat annual fees to be charged to non-member States in accordance with General Assembly resolution 44/197 B of 21 December 1989;

4. Requests the Committee on Contributions to respond appropriately to appeals for review from Member States submitted in accordance with rule 160 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly and to report thereon to the Assembly at its fiftieth session.
