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INCENTIVES AND OTHER MEASURES TO ENCOURAGE TIMELY PAYMENT OF CONTRIBUTIONS

1. At its 34th Session in November 2007, the Conference discussed measures to encourage timely payment of assessed contributions by Member Nations.¹ It requested Council to present at its next Regular Session a comprehensive package of incentive and other measures aimed at ensuring payment in full and on time by all Member Nations of their assessed contributions.² It also decided to keep the matter under review.
2. The Finance Committee reviewed at its 123rd, 126th and 128th Sessions various alternative measures aimed at ensuring payment in full and on time by all Member Nations.
3. At its 128th Session in July 2009, the Finance Committee recommended to Council that all measures currently in place to encourage timely payment should be continued and that existing rules, in particular regarding voting rights should be strictly enforced.³
4. The Finance Committee further proposed that the restrictions regarding eligibility for Council election and loss of seat in Council for Member Nations in arrears of more than the total of contributions due for the two preceding calendar years, as set out in the General Rules of the Organization (GRO XXII-5 & GRO XXII-7), should be extended to eligibility for election and loss of seat in the Finance and Programme Committees, and in the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters.⁴
5. In connection with the Organization's "Incentive Scheme for Prompt Payment of Contributions," the Finance Committee at its 128th Session also agreed that for eligible Members,

¹ C 2007/REP, para. 148

² Resolution 13/2007, ref. C 2007/REP, para. 148

³ CL 137/4, para. 56

⁴ CL 137/4, para. 56

i.e. those who paid contributions in full by 31 March 2009, the discount rate to be used to apply credits towards 2010 assessed contributions should be set at 0.03% for US dollars, and 0.43% for Euros.⁵

6. The above proposals and recommendations made by the Finance Committee at its 128th Session were transmitted for consideration by Council at its 137th Session in September 2009.

⁵ CL 137/4, para. 59