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# Report on Measures Taken to Facilitate Payment of Contributions and Status Report on Member States Participating in a Payment Plan

*Report by the Director General*

## **A. Background**

1. At the 63rd regular session of the General Conference, the Secretariat reported on actions taken on the restoration of voting rights for the year 2019.
2. The purpose of this document is to provide Member States with updated information on actions taken by the Secretariat to promote and facilitate payment of contributions since the 63rd regular session of the General Conference and to provide a status report on Member States currently participating in a payment plan.

## **B. Actions Taken**

3. On 5 February 2020, the Secretariat sent letters to Member States which had no voting rights in the IAEA during 2020, informing them of the minimum amount they would have to pay in order to regain the right to vote. The attention of those Member States was drawn to the relevant article of the Statute of the Agency and the possibility to conclude a payment plan was pointed out. In response to those letters, three Member States paid the minimum amount required for the restoration of their voting rights.
4. Reminder letters were sent on 2 July 2020 urging Member States to take action in order to regain their rights to vote.

5. A final reminder was sent by email on 11 August 2020 to those Member States without voting rights; subsequently three Member States paid the minimum amount required by Article XIX.A of the Statute to regain their voting rights.
6. There are currently no Member State that have entered into payment plan with the Agency.
7. The 2019 General Conference has approved the restoration of Libya's right to vote in the IAEA until the commencement of the 2020 General Conference. Pursuant to the Article XIX.A of the Statute, as the minimum payment was received prior to the commencement of the 2020 General Conference, Libya has regained voting rights for the year 2020.
8. To date, 19 Member States<sup>1</sup> have no voting rights in the Agency.

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<sup>1</sup>Barbados, Plurinational State of Bolivia, Burundi, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Colombia, Congo, Dominican Republic, Fiji, Gabon, Grenada, Liberia, Marshall Islands, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Sudan, Vanuatu, Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Yemen and Zimbabwe.