Special arrangements for settlement of arrears

The Fifty-fourth World Health Assembly,

Recalling previous resolutions of the Health Assembly concerning Members in arrears in the payment of their contributions to an extent which would justify invoking Article 7 of the Constitution and, in particular, resolutions WHA8.13 and WHA41.7;

1. INVITES Members that are in arrears to an extent which would invoke the provisions of Article 7 of the Constitution, or that expect difficulties in meeting their obligations to the Organization, to contact the Director-General to review the status of their accounts;

2. FURTHER INVITES those Members in arrears who wish to reschedule the payment of their arrears as part of an arrangement to have their voting rights restored to address requests in writing to the Director-General, to be received no later than 31 March, including at least the following information: (i) the total amount due, including the current year’s assessment; (ii) the period over which payment is proposed; (iii) the minimum amount of payment that the Member State intends to make each year; and (iv) an indication of whether the Member State expects to request approval from the Director-General to make the payment in local currency, in accordance with the Financial Regulations and Financial Rules;

3. REQUESTS the Director-General to review such requests with the Member States concerned and to submit proposals to reschedule payment of arrears to the Administration, Budget and Finance Committee of the Executive Board at its meeting immediately before the Health Assembly; and

4. REQUESTS the Administration, Budget and Finance Committee, on behalf of the Executive Board, to make appropriate recommendations to the Health Assembly for consideration.

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