Special arrangements for settlement of arrears

Report by the Secretariat

1. In accordance with the recommendation contained in the third report of the Administration, Budget and Finance Committee, consultations have been held with the Government of Kazakhstan as to the possibility of amending its proposal in accordance with the Committee’s suggestions.

2. The Health Assembly is invited to consider the following draft resolution, which reflects the assent of the Government of Kazakhstan to the Committee’s suggestions:

The Fifty-sixth World Health Assembly,

Having considered the third report of the Administration, Budget and Finance Committee of the Executive Board on Members in arrears in the payment of their contributions to an extent which would justify invoking Article 7 of the Constitution, with respect to the request of Kazakhstan for the settlement of its outstanding contributions, and the terms of that proposal as set forth in the report on special arrangements for settlement of arrears,

1. DECIDES to restore the voting privileges of Kazakhstan at the Fifty-sixth World Health Assembly;

2. ACCEPTS that Kazakhstan shall pay its outstanding contributions, totalling US$ 4,615,253, in 10 annual instalments (with a minimum payment of US$ 200,000 per year), payable in each of the years 2003 to 2012, subject to the provisions of Financial Regulation 6.4, in addition to the annual contributions due during the period, and subject to payment of at least half the total amount of arrears, i.e. US$ 2,307,626, by the end of 2007;

3. DECIDES that, in accordance with Article 7 of the Constitution, voting privileges shall be automatically suspended again if Kazakhstan does not meet the requirements laid down in paragraph 2 above;

4. REQUESTS the Director-General to report to the Fifty-seventh World Health Assembly on the prevailing situation;

5. REQUESTS the Director-General to communicate this resolution to the Government of Kazakhstan.

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1 Document A56/32, paragraph 12.
2 Document A56/32.
3 Document A56/33.