
Special arrangements for settlement of arrears

Somalia

Report by the Secretariat

1. In accordance with Article 7 of the Constitution and resolutions WHA8.13 (1955) and WHA41.7 (1988), Member States that have been in arrears for more than two years at the time of the Health Assembly are subject to a resolution of the Health Assembly to the effect that their voting privileges will be suspended as from the opening of the next Health Assembly unless the arrears have been reduced to a level below the amount that would justify invoking Article 7.
2. In accordance with resolution WHA54.6 (2001), Member States with arrears of assessed contributions payable to the Organization to an extent that would justify invoking the provisions of Article 7 may request these arrears to be rescheduled over an extended period.
3. In return for a commitment to pay such arrears over an agreed extended period, voting rights of the Member States concerned can be restored, on condition that the Member States respect the payment schedule and make full payment of the current year's assessment.
4. Resolution WHA54.6 states that any such requests should be received no later than 31 March, for consideration at the following Health Assembly and submitted to the Administration, Budget and Finance Committee of the Executive Board at its meeting immediately before the Health Assembly with the view to make appropriate recommendations to the Health Assembly for consideration.
5. Somalia submitted a request on rescheduling the payment of its arrears over an extended period on the opening day of the present Health Assembly, requesting that this proposal be considered notwithstanding the above-mentioned deadline and procedure. The text of the submission is set out in the Annex.

ACTION BY THE HEALTH ASSEMBLY

6. The Health Assembly may wish to consider the following draft resolution:

The Seventieth World Health Assembly,

Having considered the request of Somalia in respect of its outstanding contributions of US\$ 451 014, and noting payment of US\$ 4650 in respect of 2016; considering also the request of Somalia to reschedule payment of this balance of US\$ 446 364 over the period 2018–2037;

Noting that this request did not comply fully with the requirements of resolution WHA54.6 as to timing and procedure,

1. DECIDES to restore Somalia's voting privileges at the Seventieth World Health Assembly on the following conditions:

Somalia shall pay its outstanding arrears of assessed contributions, totalling US\$ 446 364 over 20 years from 2018 to 2037 as set out below, in addition to payment of its annual assessment for the current year;

Year	US\$
2018	22 318
2019	22 318
2020	22 318
2021	22 318
2022	22 318
2023	22 318
2024	22 318
2025	22 318
2026	22 318
2027	22 318
2028	22 318
2029	22 318
2030	22 318
2031	22 318
2032	22 318
2033	22 318
2034	22 318
2035	22 318
2036	22 318
2037	22 322
TOTAL	446 364

2. FURTHER DECIDES that, in accordance with Article 7 of the Constitution, voting privileges shall be automatically suspended if Somalia does not meet the requirements laid down in paragraph 1 above;
3. REQUESTS the Director-General to report to the Seventy-first World Health Assembly on the prevailing situation;
4. FURTHER REQUESTS the Director-General to communicate this resolution to the Government of Somalia.

ANNEX

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جمهورية الصومال الفيدرالية
البعثة الدائمة لجمهورية الصومال بملئبة الأمم
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THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF SOMALIA

**Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Somalia to the United Nations Office at Geneva and other
International Organizations in Switzerland**

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Geneva May 22, 2017

The Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Somalia to the United Nations Office and Other international organizations in Switzerland presents its compliments to the World Health organization and has the honor to acknowledge that due to the prolonged civil war the Federal Republic of Somalia owes membership fees arrears amounting USD 451,014.00 up to an including 2016 to WHO. In order to settle the arrears we commit ourselves to pay at the present USD 9,300.00 being 2016 and 2017 and the balance in installments for the coming 20 years, as has been practice to other countries.

We call the member states and the WHO Secretariat to support our request.

The Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Somalia to the United Nations office and other International Organizations in Switzerland avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the World Health Organization in Geneva, The assurance of its highest and distinguished consideration.

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