# **SEVENTY-SECOND WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLY Provisional agenda item 15.4**

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## Special arrangements for settlement of arrears

### **Central African Republic**

#### **Report by the Director-General**

- 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. Pursuant to resolution WHA54.6, any such request should be received no later than 31 March. The Director-General would review such requests with the Member States concerned and submit proposals to reschedule payment of arrears to the Administration, Budget and Finance Committee of the Executive Board<sup>1</sup> at its meeting immediately before the Health Assembly, with a view to the Committee making appropriate recommendations to the Health Assembly for consideration.
- 5. The Central African Republic submitted a request on rescheduling of payment of its arrears over an extended period on 14 May 2019, requesting that this proposal be considered notwithstanding the above-mentioned deadline and procedure.

<sup>1</sup> Since 2005, the Programme, Budget and Administration Committee of the Executive Board.

#### ACTION BY THE HEALTH ASSEMBLY

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

The Seventy-second World Health Assembly,

Having considered the request of the Central African Republic in respect of its outstanding contributions up to and including 2018 of US\$ 134 646; considering also the request of the Central African Republic to reschedule payment of this balance over the period 2019–2028;

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

1. DECIDES to restore the Central African Republic's voting privileges at the Seventy-second World Health Assembly on the following conditions:

The Central African Republic shall pay its outstanding arrears of assessed contributions, totalling US\$ 134 646 over 10 years from 2019 to 2028, as set out below, in addition to payment of its annual assessment for the current year;

Year	US\$
2019	13 465
2020	13 465
2021	13 465
2022	13 465
2023	13 465
2024	13 465
2025	13 465
2026	13 465
2027	13 465
2028	13 461
Total	134 646

- 2. FURTHER DECIDES that, in accordance with Article 7 of the Constitution, voting privileges shall be automatically suspended if the Central African Republic does not meet the requirements laid down in paragraph 1 above;
- 3. REQUESTS the Director-General to report to future Health Assemblies as appropriate on the prevailing situation;
- 4. FURTHER REQUESTS the Director-General to communicate this resolution to the Government of the Central African Republic.

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