DECISION

FCTC/COP6(21) Voluntary assessed contributions

The Conference of the Parties (COP),

Taking note of the report contained in FCTC/COP/6/23;

Recalling Decision FCTC/COP1 (11) that stipulates that Parties make their contributions on the basis of Voluntary Assessed Contributions;

Welcoming with appreciation the overall spirit of commitment by Parties to the Framework Convention on Tobacco Control;

Taking note with concern that nearly one third of the Parties have arrears for one or more biennium and that 21 of these have never paid their contributions.

Concerned that in the last reporting cycle more than a quarter of the Parties did not submit their implementation reports, and that some of them have never reported since the Convention entered into force.

Recognizing that the voluntary nature of the contributions can constitute a challenge for some countries in fulfilling their financial commitments to the Convention.

Mindful of the need to identify the reasons related to the lack of reporting and lack of payment in order to strengthen the commitment to the Convention.
REQUESTS the Convention Secretariat:

(a) to identify the main reasons or barriers for those Parties to be in any of the abovementioned concerns;

(b) to make an appraisal of the Party based on tailor-made bilateral actions between the Convention Secretariat, under the guidance of the Bureau as appropriate, and each of the Parties identified;

(c) submit to the Bureau the appraisal, with any additional comments or information from the Party, with a recommendation for action;

(d) to prepare, under the guidance of the Bureau, a report on the actions taken on this regard and the results achieved for the consideration of COP7.

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