ASSESSMENT OF MEMBERS' CONTRIBUTIONS TOWARDS THE AGENCY'S ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

Principles of assessment to supplement those set forth in Resolution GC(III)/RES/50

Note by the Director General

1. In the introduction to its annual report for the current year the Board of Governors has referred to its endorsement last April of a set of arrangements providing for the financing of the Agency's safeguards activities. [1]

2. When taking that action the Board decided that it would review those of the arrangements that relate directly to the financing of safeguards expenses at an appropriate time after 1975; it also made two requests to the Director General. The first was that he should prepare a draft of a resolution whereby the General Conference could supplement the principles it approved in 1959 for the assessment of Members' contributions towards the Agency's administrative expenses [2] with further principles that would reflect the set of arrangements. The Board further asked the Director General to transmit its recommendation that the Conference take note of an understanding that was arrived at in the process of reaching agreement on the arrangements, to the effect that they would not be invoked as a precedent for other financing arrangements either within the Agency or in other international organizations.

3. A draft resolution designed to meet these two requests is accordingly presented below for the Conference's consideration.

[1] GC(XV)/455, para. 4.
FURTHER PRINCIPLES FOR THE ASSESSMENT OF MEMBERS' CONTRIBUTIONS TOWARDS THE AGENCY'S ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

The General Conference,

(a) Being informed of a set of arrangements providing for the financing of the safeguards activities of the Agency which the Board of Governors has endorsed,

(b) Taking note of an understanding that those arrangements would not be invoked as a precedent for other financing arrangements either within the Agency or in other international organizations, and

(c) Considering it desirable to supplement the principles for the assessment of Members' contributions towards the Agency's administrative expenses, which it approved by Resolution GC(III)/RES/50, with further principles that will reflect the arrangements in question,

Establishes the following principles for the assessment of Members' contributions towards the Agency's administrative expenses to supplement those it approved by Resolution GC(III)/RES/50:

(a) The Agency's administrative expenses shall be divided into:

    (i) Non-safeguards expenses, which shall include all expenses required to be apportioned among Members in accordance with Article XIV.D of the Statute except safeguards expenses; and

    (ii) Safeguards expenses, which shall include all expenses relating to the Agency's safeguards activities;

(b) Non-safeguards expenses shall be borne by Members in proportion to their respective base rates of assessment calculated by application of the principles set forth in Resolution GC(III)/RES/50;

(c) Safeguards expenses, after deduction of such amounts as are recoverable under agreements relating to safeguards between the Agency and parties to such agreements that are not members of the Agency, shall be borne by Members as follows:

    (i) Each Member on the list provided for in sub-paragraph (ii) below shall contribute a minimum amount determined by applying its rate of assessment for 1971[1] to the safeguards section of the Regular Budget for 1971[2], but shall contribute a larger amount corresponding to one half of its base rate of assessment or equal to 16.9% of the sum which it contributes under sub-paragraph (b) above, whichever is the less, if each of the latter amounts is greater than the minimum amount;
(ii) The list, which shall be drawn up by the Director General (and will be kept under review by the Board of Governors), shall comprise Members, except those that have notified the Director General that they do not wish to be included, having per capita net national products of less than one third of the average per capita net national product of the ten Members having the highest per capita net national products, the per capita net national products being identified by examination of the documents used by the Committee on Contributions of the General Assembly of the United Nations; and

(iii) Any Member not on the list shall contribute on a scale to be determined by proportionately increasing its base rate of assessment in such a way that the total contributions of such Members make up the balance of the safeguards expenses.
