



XIX Special Session of the General Conference
Mexico City, November 19th, 2008

RESOLUTION CG/E/Res.509

**MEASURES DESIGNED TO ENCOURAGE THE TIMELY
PAYMENT OF CONTRIBUTIONS**

The General Conference,

Recalling the dispositions established in Article 12 of the Financial Regulations, approved by Resolution CG/Res.391 (XVI-99) of the General Conference, regarding the faculties of the Committee on Contributions and Administrative and Budgetary Matters to work together with the Secretary General in all the administrative and budget aspects of the Agency, as well as in order to foster an improvement in financial aspects of the Agency;

Taking note of the Report presented by the Secretary General (Doc. CG/E/624) and the President of the Committee on Contributions and Administrative and Budgetary Matters (Doc. CG/E/625 Rev.);

Having evaluated the results derived from Resolution CG/Res.497 (XX-07) “Discount Program for Contribution Payment. Contingency/Emergency Fund”;

Thanking the efforts made by OPANAL Member States in debt who complied with their financial contributions;

Taking in consideration the arguments and proposals of the Secretary General and the Member States and Observers of the Committee on Contributions and Administrative and Budgetary Matters in order to encourage the payment of contributions by proposing to lengthen the

term in which the contribution is subject to call, as well as making renegotiation possible only through the Council;

Resolves:

1. **To request** the Secretary General that before the 31st of December of each year, it may recall the debtor countries regarding its disposition to find a solution of mutual benefit for the fulfillment of obligations.
2. **To entrust** the Secretary General and the five Members of the Council to promote the celebration of a meeting of debtor countries who do not have offices in Mexico. It could be held either in New York (UN) or Washington (OAS), and the purpose would be to inform them regarding the current situation.
3. **To request** the Council, as well as the Secretary General and the Committee on Contributions and Administrative and Budgetary Matters, that they evaluate the feasibility of the proposals, so that they may be submitted for the consideration of the next General Conference (2009).

(Adopted at the 110th Session
held on 19 November 2008)