



OPANAL GENERAL CONFERENCE

XXIII Special Session 19 November 2014 Mexico City

RESOLUTION CG/E/Res.572

STATUS OF COLLECTION OF CONTRIBUTIONS

The General Conference,

Bearing in mind Article 9 of the Treaty of Tlatelolco, which states that "the General Conference shall adopt the Agency's budget and fix the scale of financial contributions to be paid by Member States";

Expressing with concern that, as of 17 November 2014, the status of collection of contributions barely reaches 57.51% of the budget adopted for 2014;

Recognising that fifteen Member States keep up to date with their financial obligations to the Agency;

Confirming that four Member States have failed to comply with one or more of the following Resolutions of the General Conference: CG/Res.502 (2007), CG/E/Res.510 (2008), CG/Res.521 (2009), CG/E/Res.531 (2010), CG/Res.542 (2011) and CG/E/Res.549 (2012), by which budgets and scales of contributions for subsequent years were approved;

Considering that seven Member States have not yet paid any contribution since they deposited their respective instruments of ratification of the Treaty of Tlatelolco, thus creating a total debt of USD 505,288.44 in 2014;

Bearing in mind that an Agency with the political importance of OPANAL, which brings together all States in Latin America and the Caribbean, should not be threatened by financial crises,

Resolves:

- 1. **To acknowledge** the efforts made Member States to keep up to date with their financial obligations to the Agency.
- 2. **To urge** Member States to fully cover the financial contributions approved during the sessions of the General Conference, pursuant to Article 9, paragraph 3, of the Treaty of Tlatelolco.
- 3. **To reiterate** that the survival of the Agency and the fulfilment of its functions depend on the availability of the necessary financial resources.

(Adopted on 19 November 2014)