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#### **Activities of the Council in 2018**

The draft report of the activities of the Council in its revised version in 2018 (C / 25 / 2018Rev.) was circulated to the Council through Notes S-625/2018 and S-635/2018 and adopted under silence procedure on November 10, 2018 to be submitted to the General Conference at its XXVI Special Session on November 15, 2018.

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**C/25/2018Rev.**
**Activities of the Council in 2018**

The Council of OPANAL, in accordance with Article 10, section 6 of the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean (Treaty of Tlatelolco),<sup>1</sup> submits to the General Conference its 2018 Report containing the activities between the XXV and XXVI Special Sessions of the General Conference (28 September 2017 and 15 November 2018).

**I. Composition of the Council and meetings held in 2018**

The five States Members of the Council in 2018 have been: Brazil, Guatemala, Peru (elected for the 2016-2019 term) and Argentina and Uruguay (elected for the 2018-2021 term). The Presidency of the Council alternated pursuant to Article 12 of the Regulations Governing the Council, which reads as follows:

*“The Presidency of the Council will be exercised by turns, by the Member States of the Council itself, by Spanish alphabetic order. Each President shall remain in office for a period of two calendar months.”*

<b>2018</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Presidents</b>
January-February	Argentina	Minister Alejandro Torres Lepori
March-April	Brazil	Excellency Ambassador Mauricio Lyrio
May-June	Guatemala	Excellency Ambassador Nelson R. Olivero
July-Augusto	Peru	Excellency Ambassador Julio Garro Gálvez
September-October	Uruguay	Excellency Ambassador Jorge Alberto Delgado Fernández
November-December	Argentina	Excellency Ambassador Ezequiel Sabor-

Since the XXV Special Session of the General Conference, 28 September 2018, to the XXVI Special Session of the General Conference, 15 November 2018, the Council held seven meetings at the Agency Headquarters:

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<sup>1</sup> The Regulations Governing the Council were amended through Resolution CG/E/Res.02/2016, adopted at the XXIV Special Session of the General Conference held on 10 November 2016. These Regulations entered into force on 1 January 2017.

<b>Session</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Member States</b>	<b>Observers</b>	<b>Summary record</b>
<b>311<sup>th</sup></b>	9 November 2017	Brazil, Guatemala, Mexico, Peru, Paraguay	Argentina, Colombia, Chile, Costa Rica, Cuba, Ecuador, Haiti, Honduras, Jamaica, Nicaragua, Panama, Dominican Republic, Uruguay, Venezuela	C/30/2017
<b>312<sup>th</sup></b>	8 February 2018	Argentina, Brazil, Guatemala, Peru, Uruguay	Bolivia, Colombia, Cuba, Ecuador, Honduras, Nicaragua, Mexico	C/05/2018Rev.
<b>313<sup>th</sup></b>	22 March 2018	Argentina, Brazil, Guatemala, Peru, Uruguay	Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Ecuador, Jamaica, Mexico, Paraguay, Dominican Republic	C/09/2018Rev.
<b>314<sup>th</sup></b>	7 June 2018	Argentina, Brazil, Guatemala, Peru, Uruguay	Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Cuba, Ecuador, Honduras, Jamaica, Mexico, Panama, Paraguay, Dominican Republic	C/14/2018Corr.2
<b>315<sup>th</sup></b>	9 August 2018	Argentina, Brazil, Guatemala, Peru, Uruguay	Chile, Cuba, Ecuador, El Salvador, Honduras, Mexico, Paraguay, Dominican Republic	C/19/2018
<b>316<sup>th</sup></b>	20 September 2018	Argentina, Brazil, Guatemala, Peru, Uruguay	Chile, Colombia, Cuba, Ecuador, Mexico, Paraguay, Venezuela	C/22/2018
<b>317<sup>th</sup></b>	11 October 2018	Argentina, Brazil, Guatemala, Peru, Uruguay	Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Cuba, Ecuador, Mexico, Nicaragua, Paraguay and Venezuela	C/28/2018

## II. Issues addressed by the OPANAL Council in 2018

The following is a summary of the main issues and decisions addressed by the Council, in accordance with the “Working Plan of the Council for 2018” (C/01/2018, C/01/2018Add., C/01/2018Add2, C/10/2018Rev, and C/10/2018Add.Rev.2), updated during the course of 2018:

### 1. 51<sup>st</sup> Anniversary of the Treaty of Tlatelolco

To commemorate the Anniversary of the Treaty of Tlatelolco, as has been done in previous years, OPANAL Member States issued the “*Communiqué of the Member States of the Agency for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean (OPANAL) on the 51<sup>st</sup> Anniversary of the Treaty of Tlatelolco, 14 February 2018*”.

The text was discussed during the technical meeting on 1 February 2018, attended by the delegations of Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Ecuador, Guatemala, Nicaragua, Paraguay, Uruguay and Venezuela. It was approved at the 312<sup>th</sup> Session of the Council held on 8 February 2018 and circulated worldwide on 13 February 2018 (Inf.03/2018Rev.3).

### 2. External Relations of OPANAL

The Council took note and supported the Secretary-General’s participation in the following activities:

#### **2.1. Seminar “Towards a world without nuclear weapons: challenges and perspectives”.**

The Secretary-General partook in the seminar “*Towards a world without nuclear weapons: challenges and perspectives*”, conjointly organized by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Brazil, Brazilian Universities and the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace on 7-8 December in Brasilia, Brazil.

The seminar, in which high level officers from different Governments; Brazilian and foreign scholars, representatives of international civil society and; the Diplomatic corps in Brasilia also participated, had as its objective to promote the dialogue around nuclear disarmament and nonproliferation.<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>2</sup>“*Towards a world without nuclear weapons: challenges and perspectives*” (Annex II of Doc. C/05/2018Rev).

## **2.2. X Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT).**

### **2.2.1. Regional Consultations on the Treaty on Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons: towards the PrepCom 2018.**

The Secretary-General joint the second panel of the event “Regional Consultations of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons: towards the PrepCom 2018” (Inf.04/2018Rev.), organized by Mexico and Poland, in its capacity of Chair of the II Preparatory Committee, at the Mexican Ministry of Foreign affairs, 15 February 2018. It should be noted that the intervention of the Secretary-General was later published in the *Nonproliferation Review of the James Martin Center for Nonproliferation Studies*.

### **2.2.2. II Session of the Preparatory Committee for the X Review Conference of the Parties to the NPT.**

At the II Session of the Preparatory Committee for the X Review Conference of the Parties to the NPT, chaired by Poland, -23 to 27 April, 2018, held in Geneva-, OPANAL Secretary-General made a intervention<sup>3</sup> recalling that the 2015 Conference was unsuccessful due to the failure to reach consensus on a Final Document. One of the reasons was that United States and Canada opposed the paragraphs regarding the establishment of a Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone and other Weapons of Mass Destruction in the Middle East.

The Secretary-General also pointed out that the lack of issuance of a Final Document in 2015 represents a challenge to the 2020 Conference, which should issue a Document that reflects a retrospective of the last 10 years. At this respect, the risk of a new *impasse* that could mean five additional years of hiatus is also a challenge. Those are elements of pressure on the NPT regime.

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<sup>3</sup> Inf.08/2018

### **2.3. IV Conference of Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zones and Mongolia, 2020.**

At its 313<sup>th</sup> session, held on 22 March, 2018, the Council considered the convening of the IV Conference of the Parties and Signatories of the Treaties establishing Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zones and Mongolia, in 2020, through a United Nations General Assembly Resolution. In this regard, the Council recommended that the Secretariat prepare a preliminary draft resolution to be considered by the Member States.

At the same time, OPANAL had the support of the Coordinators in New York (Brazil) and Geneva (Mexico), as follows:

#### **2.3.1. Informal Meeting of States belonging to Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zones in Geneva.**

In the 312<sup>th</sup> Session of the Council, the Member States supported the Secretary-General's initiative of doing consultations with the Mexican Mission in Geneva, in its capacity as Coordinator of OPANAL in that site, on the possibility of holding an informal meeting of States belonging to Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zones and Mongolia, during the II Session of the Preparatory Committee for the X Review Conference of the Parties to the NPT.

The purpose of the informal meeting, chaired by Ambassador Socorro Flores Liera, Permanent Representative of Mexico to the International Organizations in Geneva, was to exchange opinions on the following matters:

- To hold a IV Conference on Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zones and Mongolia, one day prior to the start of the 2020 NPT Review Conference.
- The designation of a Coordinator State for the IV Conference.
- The adoption of a Resolution of the United Nations General Assembly in 2018 calling for the IV Conference of Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zones and Mongolia for 2020.

On the initiative of OPANAL and with the support of the Coordination of OPANAL in Geneva, the "Informative Document on the Informal Meeting of the States Parties and Signatories of the Treaties Establishing Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zones and Mongolia"<sup>4</sup> was prepared. This document was circulated by Mexico to the Missions in Geneva that attended the informal meeting on April 27, 2018.

### **2.3.2. Consultations in New York on the draft resolution of the General Assembly to convene a IV Conference on Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zones and Mongolia in 2020.**

At its 315<sup>th</sup> Session held on 9 August 2018, the Council considered the draft resolution presented by the Secretariat and the memorandum, both in the document C/16/2018. The Secretariat sent through note S-430/2018, 2 August 2018 the draft Resolution to convene the IV Conference on Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zones and Mongolia, to all the Member States

Once the document was approved by the Council on 23 August 2018, the Secretariat sent to the Brazilian Permanent Mission in the United Nations, in its capacity of Coordinator of OPANAL in New York, the aforementioned draft resolution among with the request to begin the necessary consultations.

At the 316<sup>th</sup> Session of the Council, the Mission of Brazil in New York, informed about the informal consultations made along with the delegations of Mexico and Mongolia, with OPANAL Member States and other delegations.

Brazil informed, in its capacity of Coordinator of OPANAL in New York, of the results of the informal consultations, especially with regards to the participation of countries that are not Member States of the United Nations.

This matter is currently being considered by the First Committee of the General Assembly. It is expected that OPANAL Member States will give further information on the current status during the XXVI Special Session of the General Conference.

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<sup>4</sup> Inf.10/2018

#### **2.4. 48<sup>th</sup> Regular Session of the General Assembly of the Organization of American States (OAS)**

Ambassador Gabriel Aguilera Peralta, Permanent Representative of Guatemala to the Organization of American States – taking into account that Guatemala was the Chair of the Council at the time– distributed the intervention of the Secretary-General of OPANAL during the 48<sup>th</sup> Regular Session of the General Assembly, held on 4 June 2018, in Washington D. C. (Inf.13/2018).

#### **2.5. 62<sup>nd</sup> General Conference of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA).**

Ambassador Eric Anderson Machado, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Peru to the IAEA and other International Organizations in Vienna, in his capacity of Coordinator of OPANAL in that site, read during the General Debate of the 62<sup>nd</sup> IAEA General Conference held on 21 September 2018, the intervention of the Agency, on behalf of the Secretary-General.

#### **2.6. Contact with the African Commission on Nuclear Energy (AFCONE)**

Ambassador Eric Anderson Machado, held a meeting on margin of the IAEA General Conference with Mr. Messaoud Baalioumer, Executive Secretary of the African Commission on Nuclear Energy (AFCONE).

The AFCONE is an international agency created by the African Nuclear Weapon Free Zone Treaty, in order to guarantee compliance to the obligations of the Instrument. The meeting between OPANAL and AFCONE, first contact ever made between the two agencies, had the purpose of establishing direct contact between the organizations, considering that they are the only two agencies created among the five Nuclear Weapon Free Zone Treaties.



## **2.7. International Day for the Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons - 26 September 2018.**

For the fifth consecutive year, the Secretariat presented to the Member States a draft Declaration on the *"International Day for the Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons - September 26, 2018"* (Inf.15/2018), established through Resolution 68/32 of the United Nations General Assembly. The draft declaration was circulated to all Member States on August 2 through note S-429/2018 and presented to the Council at its 315th Meeting on August 9, 2018.

The draft was discussed during three technical meetings open to all Member States (4, 13 and 18 September, 2018), attended by representatives of Argentina, Brazil, Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Cuba, Guatemala, Ecuador, Jamaica, Mexico, Panama, Peru, Paraguay and Uruguay. In total, six revised versions of the document were circulated.

Finally, the Council agreed at its 316<sup>th</sup> Meeting on 20 September 2018, to submit document Inf.15/2018Rev.6 to the silence procedure until Monday, 24 September.

The final Declaration was circulated in Spanish, English and Portuguese to all Member States; all Embassies accredited in Mexico; international organizations, civil society organizations and press. In like manner, the Secretariat requested that the Coordinators of OPANAL in Geneva (S-543/2018), New York (S-542/2018) and Vienna (S-544/2018) circulate the Declaration to all the Permanent Missions in the respective headquarters. The Declaration was also published on the OPANAL website and distributed on the social media networks of the Secretariat.

## **2.8. First Committee of the 73<sup>rd</sup> Session of the United Nations General Assembly.**

Secretary-General participated in the First Committee of the United Nations General Assembly, from 15 to 19 October, 2018, in New York. He made an intervention in the General Debate, recalling that Latin-American and the Caribbean is the only region in the world that regularly manifests jointly, on the central issues of the First Committee, as was the case with the Declaration of September 26.

### **2.8.1. High-Level Panel: Exchange with the United Nations High Representative for Disarmament Affairs and other High-level Officials on the Current State of Affairs in the Field of Arms Control and Disarmament.**

For the second consecutive year, the Secretary-General participated in the High Level Panel "Exchange with the United Nations High Representative for Disarmament Affairs and other High Level Officials on the current situation in the field of arms control and disarmament", held on 17 October during the First Committee.

The participation of the Secretary-General in the Panel was widely supported by other delegations of OPANAL Member States, as reported in the note S-576/2018 of 5 October and S-581/2018 of 8 October.

In his participation, the Secretary-General addressed ten points that, from his view, mark the current issue of nuclear disarmament and non-proliferation. He also made some comments on the contribution of Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zones to the disarmament and non-proliferation regime.

### **2.8.2. United Nations Disarmament Fellowship Programme.**

Secretary-General gave a presentation on the Treaty of Tlatelolco, the role of OPANAL and other nuclear-weapon-free zone, on 16 October, to young diplomats attending the United Nations Disarmament Fellowship Programme.

### **2.8.3. Side-event “Consolidating and Enhancing Cooperation among Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zones”**

The side event, co-organized by the United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs (UNODA) and the Permanent Mission of Kazakhstan on 18 October, aimed to carry out a discussion of ideas on how to strengthen the exchange of information and the cooperation between Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zones. In his presentation, the Secretary-General expressed the interest of OPANAL to continue contributing to this work of coordination.

#### **2.8.4.Meeting between the OPANAL Secretary General and the United Nations Secretary General.**

On 19 October, 2018, Secretary-General of OPANAL was received by the Hon. Mr. António Guterres, Secretary General of the United Nations. In the meeting, the Secretary-General reiterated the interest in having Mr. Guterres attend a meeting of OPANAL, such as the XXVI Session of the General Conference in the framework of the commemoration of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Agency.

The Secretary General of OPANAL also mentioned the interest in helping to get a wider dissemination in Latin America and the Caribbean of the document presented by Mr. Guterres "Securing Our Common Future. An Agenda for Disarmament ", through some conference or seminar for which OPANAL could provide their assistance.

#### **2.9. OPANAL Coordinators**

The Council kept aware of the activities and the status of OPANAL Coordinations in New York (Brazil), Geneva (Mexico) and Vienna (Peru) during 2018.

The delegations of Brazil and Peru expressed their interest to continue with OPANAL Coordinations in New York and Vienna, respectively during 2019. The delegation of Uruguay expressed its interest in taking over the Coordination of OPANAL in Geneva.

### **3. Interpretative declarations made by the States Party to Additional Protocols I and II to the Treaty of Tlatelolco.**

Considering that this is a particularly important matter, the Council presents for the consideration of the General Conference, the document C/27/2018 which contains the developments on the démarches undertaken by the Member States of the Council with France and Russia, as well as the démarches to the United Kingdom and the United States of America.

#### **4. Nuclear Disarmament and Non-Proliferation Education**

In compliance with the decisions of the General Conference contained in Resolution CG/E/Res.04/2017, the Council was kept informed on the OPANAL Nuclear Disarmament and Non-Proliferation Course, the Summer School on Nuclear Disarmament and Non-Proliferation, and the OPANAL Internship Programme.

##### **4.1. OPANAL Course on Nuclear Disarmament and Non-Proliferation**

The first edition of the OPANAL Course on Nuclear Disarmament and Non-Proliferation was held from 11 to 15 December, 2017 in Montevideo, Uruguay. The lecturer was Ambassador Sergio de Queiroz Duarte, former United Nations High Representative for Disarmament Affairs and current President of Pugwash Conferences on Science and World Affairs. The course, in which 15 young diplomats participated, was held at the headquarters of the Artigas Institute of the Foreign Service of Uruguay (IASE).

The Council was informed about the preparations for the second edition of the Course, scheduled to take place from 3 to 7 December, 2018, in La Paz, Bolivia, with the participation of the Secretary-General in the inauguration and Ambassador Sergio Duarte as lecturer.<sup>5</sup>

##### **4.2. Presentation of the book “A world free of nuclear weapons: Is it possible? Is it desirable? How could it be achieved?”**

The presentation of the book “A world free of nuclear weapons: Is it possible? Is it desirable? How could it be achieved?” took place on 13 February, 2018, per invitation of the Senate of Mexico-Foreign Relations Commission - International Organizations.

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<sup>5</sup>Informe de Uruguay sobre el Curso de OPANAL sobre desarme nuclear y no proliferación, (Anexo III del Doc. C/05/2018Rev).

The event was attended by the Secretary-General of OPANAL, Ambassador Luis Javier Campuzano (Director General for the United Nations at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Mexico and Alternate Permanent Representative of Mexico to OPANAL), Senator Laura Angélica Rojas (President of the Foreign Relations Commission - International Organizations) and Ambassador Emeritus of Mexico Sergio González Gálvez, former Under Secretary of Foreign Affairs of Mexico.

The presentation of OPANAL's book also had a table discussion entitled "The validity of the nuclear threat, the perspectives of disarmament and multilateral commitments" moderated by Senator Angelica del Rosario Araujo Lara (Secretary of the Foreign Relations Commission - International Organizations) and had the participation of Ambassador Franz Josef Kuglitsch (Ambassador of Austria in Mexico); Ambassador Mohammad Taghi Hosseini (Ambassador of Iran in Mexico); Ambassador Andrian Yelemessov (Ambassador of Kazakhstan in Mexico) and Ambassador Ruslan Spírín (Ambassador of Ukraine in Mexico).

#### **4.3. Summer School on Nuclear Disarmament and Non-Proliferation**

For the fifth consecutive year, from 23 to 27 July 2018, the fifth edition of the Summer School on Nuclear Disarmament and Non-Proliferation for young diplomats from Latin America and the Caribbean, organized by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Mexico, in collaboration with the James Martin Center for Nonproliferation Studies (CNS) and co-sponsored by OPANAL, was held in Mexico City.

At the opening of the Summer Course, the Secretary-General pointed out that "more than 100 young diplomats from Latin America and the Caribbean have had the opportunity to participate in this Course during the last 5 years". Ambassador Luiz Filipe de Macedo Soares also participated in the panel "Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT) Review Cycle: Challenges and Priorities" presenting his points of view for the 2020 NPT Review Conference. At the headquarters of the OPANAL, the Secretary-General lectured the young diplomats on "The international law of nuclear disarmament: The Treaty of Tlatelolco and other Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zones, the NPT, the CTBT and the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons".

#### **4.4. Internship Programme of the Secretariat**

At its different meetings, the Council was informed about the nominations to participate in the Internship Programme of the Agency in both of its modalities: the Programme earmarked for candidates from the Member States of the Caribbean with the sponsorship of the Government of the Kingdom of the Netherlands and the internship Programme without financial support for the rest of the Member States.

For the first modality (with financial support), the Council noted that during the first semester of 2018, the Secretariat received an intern from Belize, Ms. Aaliyah Lightburn, and in the second semester of 2018 an intern from Saint Lucia, Ms. Alexandra Aurelien.

Regarding the second modality (without economic support), the Council was informed of the internships conducted by Ms. Júlia Archilla, from Brazil and Mrs. Samantha Borjas from Venezuela, both during the first semester of 2018.

#### **5. XXVI Special Session of the General Conference of OPANAL (15 November 2018)**

The Council agreed to hold the XXVI Special Session of the General Conference of OPANAL on 15 November 2018. At the 314<sup>th</sup> Session, 7 June, 2018, Argentina offered its Embassy in Mexico to host the General Conference, which was appreciated by the Member States.

As every year, the Council and the Secretariat worked on the agenda, the list of documents and draft resolutions for the consideration of the XXVI Special Session of the General Conference.

The first draft agenda (CG/E/01/2018) was presented to the Council at its 316<sup>th</sup> Session held on 20 September, 2018. Its revised version, together with the first set of documents, was transmitted to the Member States through the note S -599/2018 on 11 October, 2018.

## **6. Administrative and Budgetary matters.**

### **6.1. Collection of Assessed Contributions**

#### **6.1.1. Status of Collection of Assessed Contributions**

At each one of its Meetings, the Council was informed of the status of collection of assessed contributions in the order in which they were credited into the bank accounts of the Agency. All payments have been registered in Document Inf.01/2018Rev.15 (Annex II).

By the end of the third trimester of 2018 (15 November) the status of collection of member states' assessed contributions amounted to USD \$157,618.31 which represents 36.80% of the approved budget for 2018 (USD \$416,989.00).

Only fifteen Member States - The Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bolivia, Chile, Costa Rica, Cuba, Ecuador, Grenada, Jamaica, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Saint Kitts and Nevis and Saint Lucia are fully up to date with their financial obligations to the Agency for 2018. In addition, three Member States - Guatemala, Honduras and Peru - have partially met their 2018 quotas.

Thus, fifteen Member States have not yet paid their assessed contributions for 2018, which amount to USD \$259,370.69 (63.20%) of the approved budget for this year.

#### **6.1.2. Proposal of Payment plans for some Member States**

At its XXV Special Session, 28 September 2017, through Resolution CG/E/Res.08/2017, the General Conference decided to renew and update the payments proposed to some Member States - El Salvador, Haiti and Saint Vincent and the Grenadines -, subject of Resolutions CG/Res.12/2015 adopted by the XXIV Session of the General Conference on November 26, 2015 and CG/E/Res.06/2016 adopted by the XXIV Special Session of the General Conference on 10 November, 2016.

Of the seven so-called "historical debtors" in 2015, only three - El Salvador, Haiti and Saint Vincent and the Grenadines - have not responded to the plans or made any payments.

At their 137<sup>th</sup> and 317<sup>th</sup> Sessions, respectively, the CCAAP and the Council considered the use of a different strategy from that proposed in 2015, 2016 and 2017 for those three remaining Member States. The Secretary-General presented document CCAAP/25/2018 containing approach measures to ensure that the aforementioned Member States overcome their financial situation, in accordance with the Treaty of Tlatelolco. The document does not include the term "payment plan" or defined proposals. The plans presented in recent years were successful, in that, four Member States overcame their non-compliance situation. However, the three States mentioned have not yet reacted to the different proposals. What is being sought now is to consult the aforementioned Member States, in a manner in which they could or would be willing to resolve their situation of non-compliance with the Treaty of Tlatelolco.

At its 317<sup>th</sup> Session, the Council authorized the Secretary-General to take the necessary steps during his stay in New York for the 73<sup>rd</sup> Session of the General Assembly, to ensure that Haiti, El Salvador and Saint Vincent and the Grenadines overcome their irregular legal and political situation with the Treaty of Tlatelolco. The corresponding reminders were delivered to the Permanent Missions of each of these countries through Notes S-598/2018 (Haiti), S-595/2018 (El Salvador) and S-590/2018 (Saint Vincent and the Grenadines).

## **6.2. Financial Statements and External Auditor's Report**

### **6.2.1. Financial Statements and External Auditor's Report as of 31 December 2016 (CCAAP/21/2017).**

The XXV Special Session of the General Conference of OPANAL, through Resolution CG/E/Res.05/2017, decided to exceptionally delegate to the Council the approval of the Financial Statements and the External Auditor's Report as of 31 December 2016, contained in the document CCAAP/21/2017Rev.

In its 311<sup>th</sup> Session, held on 9 November 2017, the Council approved the "Financial Statements and External Auditor's Report as of 31 December 2016" (CCAAP/21/2017), on an exceptional occasion, through Resolution C/26/2017.



### **6.2.2. Financial Statements and External Auditor's Report as of 31 December 2017 (CCAAP/20/2018).**

The firm "Munir Hayek" was appointed by the General Conference, according to Resolution CG/E/Res.06/2017 adopted during its XXV Special Session on 28 September, 2017.

The Secretariat informed the Council at its 314<sup>th</sup> Session (7 June, 2018) that the financial documentation was sent to the External Auditor, according to practice, before the end of March. In April, the Audit began and the Committee on Contributions and Administrative and Budgetary matters (CCAAP) followed the process.

The CCAAP received in its 136<sup>th</sup> Session, on 23 August 2018, the External Auditor, Mr. Munir Hayek Domínguez, who presented his opinion on the financial statements of the Agency as of December 31, 2017 (CCAAP/20/2018). The Committee also received the comments and observations of the Secretariat on the External Auditor's Report through document CCAAP/19/2018. The CCAAP sanctioned to recommend to the Council to approve both documents.

The Council received the aforementioned documents through note S-528/2018 on 18 September, 2018 and analyzed and sanctioned them at its 316<sup>th</sup> Session on 20 September, 2018.

The opinion of the external auditor on the financial statements of the Agency as of 31 December 2017 (CCAAP/20/2018) and the comments of the Secretariat to the External Auditor's Report (CCAAP/19/2018) were sent to the Member States, through note S-599/2018 on 11 October 2018, just over a month before the General Conference.

### **6.3. Appointment of the External Auditor**

The CCAAP in its 136<sup>th</sup> Session, after listening to the difficulties encountered with the firm "Munir Hayek" presented by the Secretariat, explored the possibility of changing the auditing firm. The Secretary-General presented to the CCAAP, at its 137<sup>th</sup> Session, the proposals of the "Vieyra, Mota y Asociados, SC" firm, who also serves as External Auditors of the Pan American *Instituto Panamericano de Geografía e Historia* – IPGH; and of "HLB consulting", auditing firm of Puebla.

The CCAAP analyzed both proposals and, in accordance with Article 13 of the Financial Regulations, informed the Council at its 317<sup>th</sup> Meeting of its decision to suggest that the Office "Vieyra Mota y Asociados, SC" be appointed as External Auditor to audit the financial statements of the Organization as of 31 December, 2018.

During that Session, the Council, considering the suggestion of the CCAAP, decided to recommend to the General Conference at its XXVI Special Session to appoint the firm "Vieyra, Mota y Asociados, SC" as the new external auditor of OPANAL for the period 1 January to 31 December, 2019.

#### **6.4. Draft Budget and Scale of Assessments for 2019**

The Secretariat presented to the CCAAP the "Draft Budget and Scale of Assessments for Financial Year 2019" (CCAAP/13/2018) and the "Draft Budget and Scale of Contributions for the Financial Year 2019 - Presentation by the Secretary General" (CCAAP/14/2018) within the timeframe established in Article 2.03 of the Financial Regulations (May 31 2018). However, due to the resignation of an official of the Secretariat, a modification was made in section 1.1. "Salaries" to readjust the names of the Secretariat officials, without the amount of said section being altered. The documents CCAAP/13/2018Rev., And CCAAP/14/2018Rev.2 were reviewed by the CCAAP at its 136<sup>th</sup> Session on 23 August, 2018.

After a second revision of the aforementioned draft Budget, the Secretariat made some small adjustments, without altering the total Budget (USD \$ 416,989.00). The aforesaid was the result of the examination of the financial performance between January and August 2018. The "Draft Budget and Scale of Assessments for the Financial Year 2019" (CCAAP/13/2018Rev.2) and the "Draft Budget and Scale of Contributions for the Financial Year 2019 - Presentation by the Secretary General" (CCAAP/14/2018Rev.2) were sent to Member States for consideration on 18 September through note S-527/2018.

The Council, at its 316<sup>th</sup> Session, in accordance with the provisions of Article 2.03.6 of the Financial Regulations, authorized the Secretary-General to send to all the Member States the “Draft Budget and Scale of Assessments for the Financial Year 2019” (CCAAP/13/2018Rev.2) and the “Draft Budget and Scale of Contributions for the Financial Year 2019 - Presentation by the Secretary General” (CCAAP/14/2018Rev.2) to be considered and submitted for the approval of the General Conference at its XXVI Special Session on 15 November, 2018.

The Secretariat sent, on 11 October, through note S-599/2018, the aforementioned documents to all Member States, more than a month before the opening of the XXVI Special Session of the General Conference.

### **6.5. Revision of the Financial Regulations**

At its 137<sup>th</sup> Session, held on 27 September 2018, the CCAAP had a first debate on the draft revision of the Financial Regulations (CCAAP/23/2018). At that meeting it was agreed that the CCAAP would meet again on 4 October to discuss article by article.

In light of the initial discussion, the Secretariat made some changes to the original proposal for the draft revision of the Financial Regulations. Through note S-557/2018 dated 27 September, Member States received the document CCAAP/23/2018Rev, which contained the revision of the Financial Regulations with modifications made by the Secretariat, specifically in Articles 1, 3, 11, 14 and 26.

The 138<sup>th</sup> Session of the CCAAP, held on 4 October, 2018, took place mainly to analyze and discuss the draft revision of the Financial Regulations (CCAAP/23/2018Rev.), so that it could be approved by the CCAAP in a manner in which it could then be analyzed and authorized by the Council at its 317<sup>th</sup> Session of 11 October, 2018.

At the 138<sup>th</sup> Session of the CCAAP, the revision of the draft amendments to the Financial Regulations was carried out and most of the changes proposed in document CCAAP/23/2018Rev were approved. However, Articles 5.01 and 5.04, now 16 bis and 26 regarding quotas, remained pending. It was agreed that they would be kept in brackets.

The Council at its 317<sup>th</sup> Session on 11 October, 2018, discussed the draft Financial Regulations Revision examined by the CCAAP. The suggested changes were approved. Regarding articles 5.01

and 5.04 in brackets, it was agreed that the original wording contained in the current Financial Regulations (Inf.01/2016) would remain.

The Council agreed to submit the draft Financial Regulations Revision (CCAAP/23/2018Rev.3) to the General Conference at its XXVI Special Session.

The Secretariat was allowed to make some corrections in form to the draft Financial Regulations, contained in document CCAAP/23/2018Rev.3Corr.

### **6.6. OPANAL Headquarters**

The Secretary-General presented to the Council, at its 315<sup>th</sup> Session, Document C/17/2018 containing information and considerations on the need for OPANAL to have a permanent headquarter.

The Secretary-General informed that the motivation to carry out the aforementioned document was based on the fact that, in June, a request of the landlord and owner of the current OPANAL Headquarters to increase the monthly rent from MXN \$ 80,000.00 to MXN \$ 102,300.00 was received electronically.

During that Session, the Council received document CCAAP/18/2018 that contained the letter S-432/2018 delivered to the landlord informing him that, in strict adherence to the lease, the rent increase corresponds to MXN \$ 6,120.00 thus giving a monthly rent of MXN \$ 86,120.00.

The Secretary General of OPANAL, responsible for keeping the Agency in good working order, informed the Council that it is politically inconvenient for Member States that an intergovernmental body such as OPANAL does not have a permanent headquarters and is open to the possibility of being evicted by a landlord.

The Delegation of Mexico expressed its commitment and readiness to continue working to obtain as soon as possible a permanent Headquarters for OPANAL.

The Council considered a revised version of the document (C/17/2018Rev.2), during its 316<sup>th</sup> Meeting and a third version was transmitted to the Member States through note S-623/2018 on 29 October, 2018.

### **6.7. Special Recovery Fund**

The CCAAP addressed this matter during its 136th Meeting, after analyzing the Financial Statements of the Agency and the External Auditor's Report as of 31 December, 2017, concluding that the Fund caused difficulties for the presentation of the Financial Statements. The Secretary General informed the CCAAP that the Special Recovery Fund is abstract and is only used for the presentation of the Financial Statements since it does not have any resources. It is an accounting mechanism created by the General Conference in its XIX Session, in 2008, as part of the measures to reorganize OPANAL after the serious financial crisis that began in 2006.

The CCAAP requested the Secretary General to prepare a document explaining the origin and content of the Special Recovery Fund.

At its 137<sup>th</sup> Session, the Secretary General explained that the Secretariat is still working on the document on the Special Recovery Fund. He reported that an "archeology" work had to be carried out since the aforementioned Fund was created in 2008 but its backdated up to the year of creation of OPANAL (1969).

## 6.8. Composition of the Secretariat

According to the Standards to Govern the Operations of the Secretariat (Doc. CG/E/666) – Article 37, “Register of Staff members”:

*“The Secretariat shall periodically distribute to the member states a register of the staff members, indicating name, type of employment, functions, nationality and date of entry into the Secretariat.”*

The information below, which is also contained in Document “Register of Staff members”, (CCAAP/04/2018Rev.3) lists the officers that are currently working at the Secretariat of OPANAL:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Functions</b>	<b>Form of employment</b>	<b>Date of entry on duty</b>	<b>Extensions of contracts</b>	<b>Nationality</b>
Ambassador Luiz Filipe de Macedo Soares	Secretary-General	International Officer. Elected by the General Conference for the 2014-2017 term through Resolution CG/Res.566, dated 7 November 2013.	1 January 2014	Re-elected for a 4-year term (2018-2021) through Resolution CG/Res.01/2017, dated 14 February 2017.	Brazilian
Noemí Rodríguez Velázquez	Translations and Publications Officer	Local employee	12 Sept 2011	January 2012 1 January 2013 1 January 2014 1 January 2015 1 January 2016 1 January 2017 1 January 2018	Mexican

Name	Functions	Form of employment	Date of entry on duty	Extensions of contracts	Nationality
Jorge Alberto López Lechuga	Research and Communications Officer	Local employee	1 January 2013	1 April 2013 1 April 2014 1 April 2015 1 April 2016 1 April 2017 1 April 2018	Mexican
Elizabeth Lemus Avilés	Programmes Officer	Local employee	1 August 2016	1 August 2017 1 August 2018	Mexican
Natalia Chreties Ceriani	Administrative Officer	Local employee	15 March 2018		Uruguayan
Martha Mariana Mendoza Basulto	International Relations Officer	Local employee (trial period, Aug-Dec 2018)	27 August 2018		Mexican
Israel David Ramírez Flores	General Services	Local employee	18 October 2010	19 January 2011 19 January 2012 19 January 2013 19 January 2014 19 January 2015 19 January 2016 19 January 2017 19 January 2018	Mexican



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**III. Control System**

The principal elements of the Treaty of Tlatelolco are the Obligations established in Article 1:

1. *“The Contracting Parties hereby undertake to use exclusively for peaceful purposes the nuclear material and facilities which are under their jurisdiction, and to prohibit and prevent in their respective territories:
  - a. *The testing, use, manufacture, production or acquisition by any means whatsoever of any nuclear weapons, by the Parties themselves, directly or indirectly, on behalf of anyone else or in any other way, and*
  - b. *The receipt, storage, installation, deployment and any form of possession of any nuclear weapons, directly or indirectly, by the Parties themselves, by anyone on their behalf or in any other way.**
2. *The Contracting Parties also undertake to refrain from engaging in, encouraging or authorizing, directly or indirectly, or in any way participating in the testing, use, manufacture, production, possession or control of any nuclear weapon.”*

To guarantee compliance, the Treaty establishes a Control System in Articles 12 to 18. Likewise, through Article 10, section 5, the Treaty designates the bodies responsible for ensuring the proper functioning of the Control System:

*“In addition to the functions conferred upon it by this Treaty and to those which may be assigned to it by the General Conference, the Council shall, through the Secretary General, ensure the proper operation of the Control System in accordance with the provisions of this Treaty and with the decisions adopted by the General Conference.”*

Therefore, the Secretary-General informs the Council in all its meetings about the state of compliance with Article 14 of the Treaty of Tlatelolco, which is the main and most recurrent obligation of the Parties in relation to the Control System:



*“The Contracting Parties shall submit to the Agency and to the International Atomic Energy Agency, for their information, semi-annual reports stating that no activity prohibited under this Treaty has occurred in their respective territories”.*

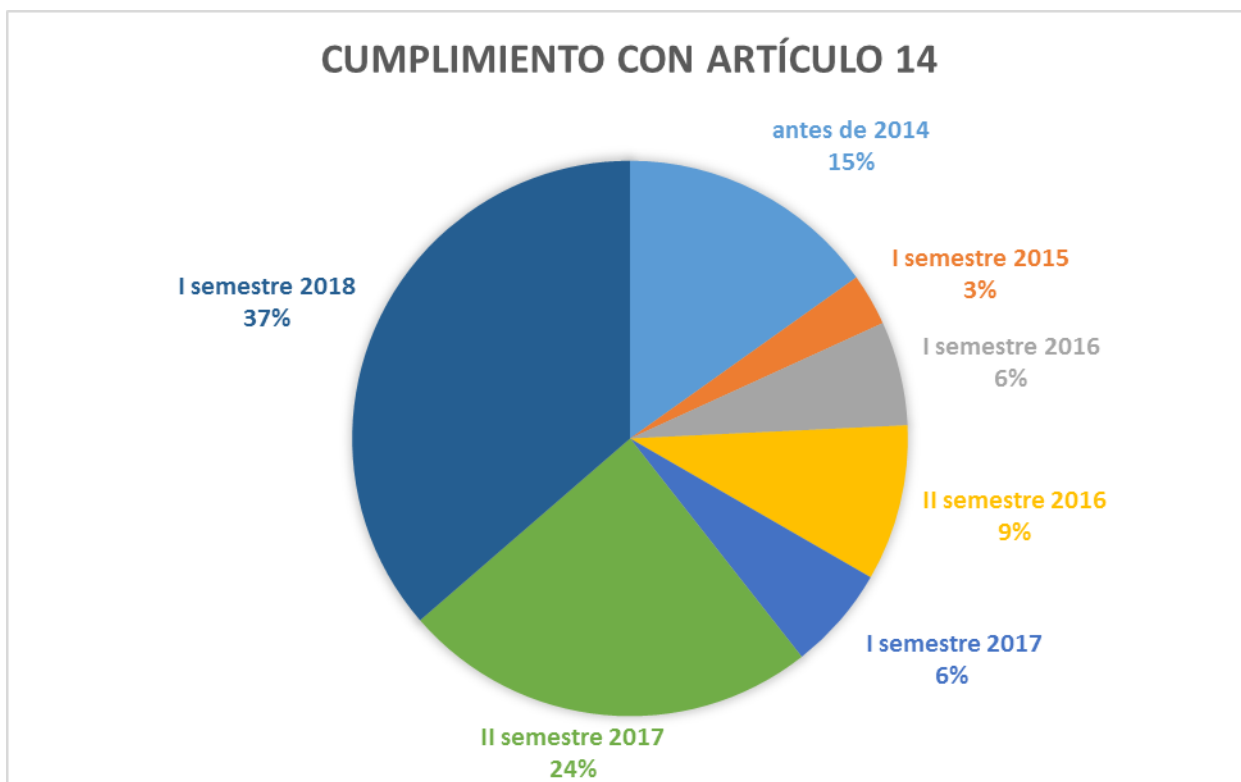
In addition, at each meeting of the Council, the Secretary-General constantly reiterates the call to the Member States to comply with this Article of the Treaty of Tlatelolco, which is not optional, but a fundamental legal obligation.

At its 317<sup>th</sup> Session, the Council was informed that, as of that date, twelve Member States (37%) had reported up to the first semester of 2018 and are up-to-date with this obligation.

Eight other Member States (24%) had submitted information up to the second half of 2017, while two (6%) had submitted information up to the first half of 2017, and another three (9%) un to 2016. Six Member States have failed to comply with reporting for five semesters or more.

Nearly 40% of OPANAL Members are late in complying with this provision.

Cumplimiento con el Artículo 14						
antes de 2014	hasta I semestre 2015	hasta I semestre 2016	hasta II semestre 2016	hasta I semestre 2017	hasta II semestre 2017	hasta I semestre 2018
Bahamas	República Dominicana	Grenada	Haiti	Dominica	Antigua & Barbuda	Argentina
Barbados		St. Vincent & the Grenadines	Panamá	Venezuela	Belize	Brasil
El Salvador			Suriname		Chile	Colombia
Guyana					Costa Rica	Cuba
Trinidad & Tobago					Honduras	Nicaragua
					Jamaica	Saint Kitts and Nevis
				Paraguay	Ecuador	
				Saint Lucia	Perú	
					Uruguay	
					Guatemala	
					México	
					Bolivia	
5	1	2	3	2	8	12
15.15	3.03	6.06	9.09	6.06	24.24	36.36



Although Article 24 of the Treaty of Tlatelolco is not part of the Control System, it does imply that the States Party are required to immediately inform the Secretariat:

*“Once this Treaty has entered into force, the Secretariat shall be notified immediately of any international agreement concluded by any of the Contracting Parties on matters with which this Treaty is concerned; the Secretariat shall register it and notify the other Contracting Parties.”*

Compliance with this Article is not limited to a specific timeframe, however, between January and October 2018, five Member States (Belize, Bolivia, Chile, Cuba and Mexico), informed the Secretariat of the concretion of pertinent agreements or have informed that they have not signed an agreement on the matters that concern the Treaty since the last time they notified the Secretariat.

Two Member States have never sent a report whereby they comply with Article 24 (Costa Rica and Saint Vincent and the Grenadines).

**Annex I**  
**Status of compliance with Articles 14 and 24 of the Treaty of Tlatelolco**

ESTADOS MIEMBROS	Artículo 14	Artículo 24
	Último Informe	Último Informe
Antigua and Barbuda	31-ene.-2018	3-feb.-2015
Argentina	30-jun.-2018	16-nov.-2016
Bahamas	30-jun.-2010	10-may.-2007
Barbados	31-dic.-1984	10-abr.-1984
Belize	31-dic.-2017	5-feb.-2018
Bolivia	9-oct.-2018	4-may.-2018
Brasil	30-jun.-2018	26-nov.-2015
Chile	31-dic.-2017	16-mar.-2018
Colombia	30-jun.-2018	6-abr.-2017
Costa Rica	31-dic.-2017	
Cuba	30-jun.-2018	13-feb.-2018
Dominica	30-jun.-2017	12-sep.-2012
Ecuador	29-ago.-2018	24-nov.-2017
El Salvador	31-dic.-2014	22-sep.-2010
Grenada	30-jun.-2016	13-sep.-1980
Guatemala	27-sep.-2018	2-dic.-2010
Guyana	15-dic.-2014	16-sep.-2010
Haiti	31-dic.-2016	31-jul.-1973
Honduras	31-dic.-2017	8-nov.-2010
Jamaica	31-dic.-2017	5-abr.-2016
México	3-oct.-2018	3-oct.-2018
Nicaragua	30-jun.-2018	30-jun.-2016
Panamá	31-dic.-2016	4-feb.-1986
Paraguay	31-dic.-2017	1-jul.-2015
Perú	11-sep.-2018	30-jun.-2016
República Dominicana	30-jun.-2015	7-ago.-1987
Saint Kitts and Nevis	30-jun.-2018	6-jun.-2014
Saint Lucia	31-dic.-2017	25-jul.-2013
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	30-jun.-2016	
Suriname	31-dic.-2016	16-sep.-2010
Trinidad and Tobago	24-jul.-2013	25-jul.-2013
Uruguay	13-sep.-2018	4-ene.-2017
Venezuela	31-jul.-2017	3-oct.-2017

## Annex II Estado de recaudación de cuotas de los Estados Miembros

Inf.01/2018 Rev.15 Corr.\*  
09/10/2018Estado de Recaudación de Cuotas de los Estados Miembros  
(USD)

ESTADOS MIEMBROS	Deuda acumulada al 2013	Adeudo 2014	Adeudo 2015	Adeudo 2016	Adeudo 2017	Deuda acumulada al 2017	Contribución 2018		Recaudado para 2018	Saldo pendiente	Recaudado para futuros ejercicios económicos
							%	Costa			
ANTIGUA Y BARBUDA	2,306.74	1,443.91	1,543.00	1,543.00	1,543.00	8,379.65	0.37	1,543.00	0.00	9,922.65	0.00
ARGENTINA	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	16	66,718.00	0.00	66,718.00	0.00
BAHAMAS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1	4,170.00	4,170.00	0.00	0.00
BARBADOS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.37	1,543.00	1,543.00	0.00	0.00
BELICE (a)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.37	1,543.00	1,543.00	0.00	1,543.00
BOLIVIA	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.37	1,543.00	1,543.00	0.00	0.00
BRASIL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	85,691.00	85,691.00	20.55	85,691.00	0.00	171,382.00	0.00
CHILE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5	20,849.00	20,849.00	0.00	0.00
COLOMBIA	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20,849.00	20,849.00	5	20,849.00	0.00	41,698.00	0.00
COSTA RICA	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.75	3,127.00	3,127.00	0.00	94.58
CUBA	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.83	3,461.00	3,461.00	0.00	0.00
DOMINICA	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.37	1,543.00	0.00	1,543.00	0.00
ECUADOR	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.2	5,004.00	5,004.00	0.00	0.00
EL SALVADOR (b)	118,673.51	1,560.99	1,668.00	1,668.00	1,668.00	125,238.50	0.4	1,668.00	0.00	126,906.50	0.00
GRENADA (c)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.37	1,543.00	1,543.00	0.00	1,684.70
GUATEMALA (d)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1	4,170.00	3,959.07	210.93	0.00
GUYANA	0.00	0.00	0.00	215.53	1,543.00	1,758.53	0.37	1,543.00	0.00	3,301.53	0.00
HAITI (b)	120,236.01	1,443.91	1,543.00	1,543.00	1,543.00	126,308.92	0.37	1,543.00	0.00	127,851.92	0.00
HONDURAS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.37	1,543.00	1,511.00	32.00	0.00
JAMAICA	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.37	1,543.00	1,543.00	0.00	0.00
MÉXICO	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	22.5	93,822.00	93,822.00	0.00	0.00
NICARAGUA	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.37	1,543.00	1,543.00	0.00	14.00
PANAMÁ	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1	4,170.00	4,170.00	0.00	40.00
PARAGUAY	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,016.51	1,016.51	0.75	3,127.00	0.00	4,143.51	0.00
PERÚ (e)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.6	10,842.00	5,201.24	5,640.76	0.00
REP. DOMINICANA	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1	4,170.00	0.00	4,170.00	0.00
SAINT KITTS & NEVIS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.37	1,543.00	1,543.00	0.00	60.00
SAINT LUCIA (f)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.37	1,543.00	1,543.00	0.00	2,875.37
ST VINCENT & GRENADINES (b)	28,703.97	1,443.91	1,543.00	1,543.00	1,543.00	34,776.88	0.37	1,543.00	0.00	36,319.88	0.00
SURINAME	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,543.00	1,543.00	3,086.00	0.37	1,543.00	0.00	4,629.00	0.00
TRINIDAD & TOBAGO	0.00	0.00	8,465.00	8,465.00	8,465.00	25,395.00	2.03	8,465.00	0.00	33,860.00	0.00
URUGUAY	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.4	5,838.00	0.00	5,838.00	0.00
VENEZUELA (g)	0.00	0.00	1,361.99	47,703.00	47,703.00	96,767.99	11.44	47,703.00	0.00	144,470.99	0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>269,928.23</b>	<b>5,892.73</b>	<b>16,123.99</b>	<b>64,223.53</b>	<b>173,107.51</b>	<b>529,267.99</b>	<b>308</b>	<b>418,989.00</b>	<b>157,618.31</b>	<b>788,638.68</b>	<b>6,311.65</b>
				<b>% recaudado para 2016</b>	<b>84.80%</b>	<b>% recaudado para 2017</b>	<b>58.48%</b>	<b>% recaudado para 2018</b>	<b>37.80%</b>		

OTROS INGRESOS (h)

1,501.00

\*Corr. La Secretaría se percató de un error en la columna "Recaudado para 2018" en la fila de "Paraguay". Se registró US 4,210.00 cuando debería ser US 4,170.00.

(a) Belice efectuó un pago el 10 de febrero de 2017 por la cantidad de US\$ 3,086.00 cubriendo sus cuotas de 2016 y 2017. El 17 de febrero de 2017 efectuó otro pago por la cantidad de US\$ 3,086.00 el cual fue aplicado para su cuota de 2018 y el restante US\$ 1,543.00 será aplicado para el siguiente ejercicio económico.

(b) El Salvador, Haití y Saint Vincent and the Grenadines no han realizado el pago de su cuota desde que ratificaron el Tratado de Tlatelolco. Mediante Resolución CO/RE/Res.08/2017 la Conferencia General les propuso un plan de pagos. Hasta la fecha no se ha recibido respuesta.

(c) El 15 de marzo de 2016 Grenada realizó un pago de US\$ 24,631.50, cubriendo el total del plan de pagos propuesto mediante la Resolución CO/RE/Res.12/2015 (US\$ 16,774.84). Por lo tanto, el saldo restante fue aplicado a las cuotas de los años 2015, 2016, 2017 y 2018. El saldo a favor de Grenada, US\$ 1,684.70 será aplicado para el siguiente ejercicio económico.

(d) Guatemala al cubrir su cuota de 2015 tuvo un excedente por la cantidad de US\$ 47.06 la cual fue tomada a cuenta del pago de cuota de 2016. El 22 de julio de 2016, Guatemala efectuó un pago por la cantidad de US\$ 4,145.81. Con la suma de esas cantidades US\$ 4,192.87 cubre su cuota de 2016 y el excedente US\$ 22.87 se toma a cuenta de su cuota de 2017 quedando un saldo pendiente de US\$ 4,147.13.

(e) El 24 de marzo de 2017, se recibió el pago del Perú por US\$ 11,516.86 liquidando su deuda de 2016 y cubriendo parcialmente su cuota de 2017 dejando así, un saldo pendiente de US\$ 2,122.02. El 8 de junio de 2018 se recibió un pago del Perú por la cantidad de US\$ 7,523.26. Con dicho monto se cubrió el saldo pendiente de 2017 y una parcialidad de su cuota de 2018. El saldo pendiente para 2018 es de US\$ 5,640.76.

(f) Santa Lucía realizó un pago de US\$ 17,469.99 el 24 de enero de 2017. Con eso se cubren el total del plan de pagos adoptado por la Conferencia General (Resolución CO/RE/Res.06/2016) equivalente a US\$ 11,493.62 y las cuotas de Santa Lucía para los ejercicios financieros 2016 y 2017 (US\$ 1,543.00 cada una). Santa Lucía tiene un saldo a favor para los siguientes ejercicios económicos de US\$ 2,890.37. El 6 de marzo de 2017 efectuó un pago por la cantidad de US\$ 1,528.00 el cual se suma al saldo a favor para los siguientes ejercicios económicos, dando un total de US\$ 4,418.37. De dicho saldo se toma a cuenta el pago de su cuota de 2018 US\$ 1,543.00 quedando un saldo a favor para los siguientes ejercicios económicos por la cantidad de US\$ 2,875.37.

(g) Venezuela realizó un pago el 6 de enero de 2017 por la cantidad de US\$ 43,282.27 que cubre parcialmente su deuda acumulada para 2015 (US\$ 44,644.26). Venezuela tiene una deuda acumulada para 2017 de US\$ 96,767.99

(h) Se recibió un pago no identificado en 2015 por US\$ 1,501.00.