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COMMITTEE ON CONTRIBUTIONS Forty-first session New York

### ORGANIZATION OF THE SESSION FORTY-FIRST SESSION - 16 June to 2 July 1981

#### Note by the Secretariat

1. All meetings have been scheduled at 10.30 a.m. and at 3 p.m. (Conference Room 5).

2. Following the usual practice, arrangements for the present session of the Committee provide for simultaneous interpretation from and into Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish.

3. In accordance with past decisions of the Committee, there will be no minutes of meetings or any sound recording of proceedings. The only published document will be the Committee's report to the thirty-sixth session of the General Assembly.

4. The provisional agenda for the forty-first session had been made available to the members in advance of the session. Additional documentation will be made available on the day of the meeting. A list of documents for the present session is attached as annex I.

5. In accordance with the decision taken by the Committee in 1980, the current session will be of two and a half weeks' duration, ending Thursday, 2 July 1981. In order to facilitate its work and allow for the drafting, typing, translation and reproduction of its report prior to 2 July, a draft time-table (annex II) is attached for the Committee's consideration.

6. In order to achieve optimum utilization of conference resources, members are invited to acquaint themselves with General Assembly resolutions 32/71, 33/55, and 33/56, on the Pattern of Conferences, which the Assembly adopted on

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the recommendation of the Committee on Conferences. A summary of the possible implications as they affect the work of the Committee is set out below:

- (a) A weekly summary is to be provided to Conference Services indicating the number of meetings held, cancelled, and the loss due to the late starting or early ending.
- (b) Duration of meetings the normal meeting period is from 10:00 a.m. or 10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. for the morning session and from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. for the afternoon session. For extensions of meetings up to 30 minutes beyond those hours the approval of the chief interpreter has to be obtained.
- (c) Informal meetings if it is anticipated that informal meetings requiring conference servicing facilities will take place, such a decision should if possible be conveyed to the Conference Officer prior to any formal announcement of adjournment of the meeting.

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# Annex I

# List of Documents for the session

Title	Document symbol	Agenda item
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national economy	A/CN.2/R.435	6
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a measure of capacity to pay	A/CN.2/R.437	6
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#### Reference documents

1978 Report of the Committee on Contributions (A/33/11 and Addendum) 1979 Report of the Committee on Contributions (A/34/11 and Addendum) 1980 Report of the Committee on Contributions (A/35/11) Report of the Fifth Committee (A/33/351) Report of the Fifth Committee (A/34/608) Report of the Fifth Committee (A/35/564) General Assembly resolutions 33/11, 33/12, 34/6 and 35/11 A/CN.2/R.434 English

## Annex II

## Draft time-table for the forty-first session of Committee on Contributions

Date Agenda item	Subject
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16 June p.m. 6	Possible improvements in statistical measurement of relative capacity to pay
17-18 June 6	Continuation
19 June a.m. 7	Methods to avoid excessive variations of individual rates of assessment between two successive scales
19 June p.m. 7 8	Continuation Application of the low <u>per</u> <u>capita</u> income allowance formula
22 June 8 9	Continuation Effects of altering statistical base period on the scale of assessments
23 June 10	Assessment of new Member States for 1980, 1981 and 1982
11	Collection of Contributions
5	Representation of Member States
24 June 5	Continuation
12	Requests for advice from specialized agencies Other matters
14	Other matters
25 and 26 June	Drafting of Committee's report
29 June	Consideration of report by drafting committee
30 June	Translation, typing and reproduction of report
l and 2 July	Consideration of report by Committee as a whole