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SCALE OF ASSESSMENTS FOR THE APPORTIONMENT OF THE EXPENSES OF THE UNITED NATIONS

Report of the Fifth Committee (Part III)

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I. INTRODUCTION

- 1. The previous recommendations made by the Fifth Committee to the General Assembly under agenda item 119 appear in the reports of the Committee contained in documents A/51/747 and A/51/747/Add.1.
- 2. The Fifth Committee resumed its consideration of the item at its 72nd and 74th meetings, on 8 and 12 September 1997. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/51/SR.72) and 74.
- 3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the report of the Committee on Contributions. 1

II. CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT DECISION A/C.5/51/L.85

4. At the 74th meeting, on 12 September, the Vice-Chairman of the Committee introduced a draft decision entitled "Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations" (A/C.5/51/L.85), submitted on the basis of informal consultations.

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 $^{^{\}rm 1}$ Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-first Session, Supplement No. 11 (A/51/11).

5. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft decision A/C.5/51/L.85 without a vote (see para. 6).

III. RECOMMENDATION OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE

6. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft decision:

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations

The General Assembly decides:

- (a) To defer to its fifty-second session consideration of the observations of the Committee on Contributions concerning the procedural aspects of consideration of requests for exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations as contained in the report of the Committee;²
- (b) That the failure of Liberia, Tajikistan and Comoros to pay the amount necessary to avoid the application of Article 19 of the Charter is due to conditions beyond their control and that, accordingly, they shall be permitted to vote through the fifty-second session of the General Assembly and that any further extension shall be subject to review by the Committee on Contributions.

 $^{^2}$ Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-first Session, Supplement No. 11 (A/51/11).