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

United States of America: revised draft resolution

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 14 (I) of 13 February 1946, 238 (III) of 18 November 1948, and 665 (VII) of 5 December 1952, regarding the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations among its Members and the fixing of the maximum contribution of any one Member State,

Noting that when the maximum contribution of any one Member State was fixed at 33.33 per cent effective 1 January 1954, the United Nations consisted of sixty Member States,

Noting further that since 1 January 1954, twenty-two Member States have been admitted to the United Nations,

Recalling its resolution 1087 (XI) of 21 December 1956, whereby the percentage contributions of the first sixteen new Member States admitted since 1 January 1954, were incorporated into the regular scale of assessments for 1956 and 1957 and these were applied to reduce the percentage contributions of all Member States except that of the highest contributor and those of the Member States paying minimum assessments,

Noting that there are now six new Member States, Ghana, Japan, the Federation of Malaya, Morocco, Sudan and Tunisia whose percentage contributions have not yet been fixed by the Committee on Contributions or incorporated into the 100 per cent scale of assessments,

Decides that:

- (a) in principle, the maximum contribution of any one Member State to the ordinary expenses of the United Nations shall not exceed 30 per cent of the total;
- (b) the percentage contributions fixed by the Committee on Contributions for Japan, Morocco, Sudan and Tunisia for 1956 and 1957, and for Ghana and the Federation of Malaya for 1957 shall constitute miscellaneous income of the United Nations:
- (c) the Committee on Contributions shall take the following steps in preparing scales of assessment for 1958 and subsequent years:
 - (1) The percentage contributions fixed by the Committee on Contributions for Ghana, Japan, the Federation of Malaya, Morocco, Sudan and Tunisia for 1958 shall be incorporated into the 100 per cent scale for 1958. This incorporation shall be accomplished by applying the total amount of the percentage contributions of the six Member States named above to a pro rata reduction of the percentage contributions of all Members except those assessed at the minimum rate, taking into account the per capita ceiling principle and any reductions which may be required as a result of a review by the Committee on Contributions at its session commencing 15 October 1957, of appeals from recommendations made previously by that Committee.
 - (2) During the three-year period of the next scale of assessments, 1959-1961, further steps to reduce the share of the largest contributor shall be recommended by the Committee on Contributions when new Member States are admitted.
 - (3) The Committee on Contributions shall thereafter recommend such additional steps as may be necessary and appropriate to complete the reduction.
 - (4) The percentage contribution of no Member State shall be increased solely for the purpose of reducing the percentage contribution of the highest contributor to 30 per cent.