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## Draft decision on reimbursement of national taxes

The Meeting of States Parties, recalling its decision relating to the staff assessment fund of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea (SPLOS/98), and having considered the note by the Tribunal on the reimbursement of national taxes (SPLOS/2004/WP.3), decides that, in order to address the issue of national taxes paid by some members and officials of the Tribunal on salary and emoluments paid to them by the Tribunal, and pending the outcome of negotiations on the conclusion of a bilateral tax reimbursement agreement, and in accordance with paragraph (e) of the above-mentioned decision, a budget line to reimburse members and officials of the Tribunal for national taxes paid in respect of remuneration paid by the Tribunal shall be included in the budget of the Tribunal for 2005-2006.