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STATUS OF THE PAYMENT OF CONTRIBUTIONS
AS OF SEPTEMBER 17, 2003

Report of the Director General

1. This document contains an updated version of Chapter IV of document A/39/9 concerning the arrears in annual contributions and in payments towards working capital funds.

STATUS OF THE PAYMENT OF CONTRIBUTIONS AS OF SEPTEMBER 17, 2003

*Arrears in Annual Contributions
(Except for Arrears of the Least Developed Countries,
Placed in a special (Frozen) Account
Concerning the Years Preceding 1990)*

2. The following table shows the arrears in contributions as of September 17, 2003, under the unitary contribution system which has been applicable since January 1, 1994, and under the previously applicable contribution systems of the six Contribution-financed Unions (Paris, Berne, IPC, Nice, Locarno, Vienna) and of WIPO (for States members of WIPO not members of any of the Unions), with the exception of arrears in contributions of the least developed countries (LDCs) concerning the years preceding 1990, placed in a special (frozen) account, which are not shown in this table but are shown in the table in paragraph 6, below.

State	Unitary/ Union/ WIPO	No Arrears/Year(s) of Arrears (<i>partial payment is indicated by an asterisk</i>)	Amount of Arrears (<i>Swiss francs</i>)	% of Total Arrears
Albania		No arrears		
Algeria		No arrears		
Andorra		No arrears		
Angola		No arrears		
Antigua and Barbuda		No arrears		
Argentina	Unitary	99*+00+01+02+03	428 066	4.25
Armenia		No arrears		
Australia		No arrears		
Austria		No arrears		
Azerbaijan		No arrears		
Bahamas		No arrears		
Bahrain		No arrears		
Bangladesh		No arrears		
Barbados		No arrears		
Belarus		No arrears		
Belgium		No arrears		
Belize		No arrears		
Benin		No arrears		
Bhutan		No arrears		
Bolivia	Unitary	96*+97+98+99+00+01+02+03	22 425	0.22
Bosnia and Herzegovina		No arrears		
Botswana		No arrears		
Brazil	Unitary	02*+03	156 740	1.55
Brunei Darussalam		No arrears		
Bulgaria		No arrears		
Burkina Faso	Unitary	01*+02+03	3 167	0.03
Burundi	Unitary Paris	94+95+96+97+98+99+00+01+02+03 90+91+92+93	16 091 13 276	29 367 0.29
Cambodia		No arrears		
Cameroon		No arrears		
Canada		No arrears		
Cape Verde	Unitary	98+99+00+01+02+03	9 036	0.09

State	Unitary/ Union/ WIPO	No Arrears/Year(s) of Arrears (<i>partial payment is indicated by an asterisk</i>)	Amount of Arrears (<i>Swiss francs</i>)		% of Total Arrears
Central African Republic	Unitary Paris Berne	94+95+96+97+98+99+00+01+02+03 90+91+92+93 90+91+92+93	16 091 13 276 7 460	36 827	0.37
Chad	Unitary Paris Berne	94+95+96+97+98+99+00+01+02+03 90+91+92+93 90+91+92+93	16 091 13 276 7 460	36 827	0.37
Chile	Unitary	03		11 395	0.11
China		No arrears			
Colombia	Unitary	02*+03		20 103	0.20
Congo	Unitary Paris Berne	94+95+96+97+98+99+00+01+02+03 87*+88+89+90+91+ 92+93 87+88+89+90+91+92+ 93	32 187 129 099 77 829	239 115	2.37
Costa Rica		No arrears			
Côte d'Ivoire	Unitary Paris Berne	94+95+96+97+98+99+00+01+02+03 91+92+93 90*+91+92+93	35 733 53 367 68 655	157 755	1.56
Croatia		No arrears			
Cuba	Unitary	03		5 697	0.06
Cyprus		No arrears			
Czech Republic		No arrears			
Democratic People's Republic of Korea		No arrears			
Democratic Republic of the Congo	Unitary Paris Berne	94+95+96+97+98+99+00+01+02+03 90+91+92+93 90+91+92+93	16 091 159 959 90 326	266 376	2.64
Denmark		No arrears			
Djibouti	Unitary	03		1 424	0.01
Dominica	Unitary	03		2 849	0.03
Dominican Republic	Unitary Paris	94+95+96+97+98+99+00+01+02+03 63+64+65+66+67+68+69+70+71+72+ 73+74+75+76+77+78+79+80+81+82+ 83+84+85+86+87+88+89+90+91+92+93	41 429 969 910	1 011 339	10.03
Ecuador		No arrears			
Egypt		No arrears			
El Salvador	Unitary WIPO	94+95+96+97+98+99+00+01+02+03 82*+83+84+85+86+87+88+89+90+91+ 92+93	32 187 83 183	115 370	1.14
Equatorial Guinea	Unitary	03		1 424	0.01
Eritrea		No arrears			
Estonia		No arrears			
Ethiopia		No arrears			
Fiji		No arrears			
Finland		No arrears			
France	Unitary	03*		299 538	2.97
Gabon	Unitary Paris Berne	94+95+96+97+98+99+00+01+02+03 82*+83+84+85+86+87+88+89+90+91+ 92+93 82+83+84+85+86+87+88+89+90+91+ 92+93	35 733 231 813 141 822	409 368	4.06
Gambia	Unitary	97*+98+99+00+01+02+03		10 556	0.10
Georgia		No arrears			
Germany		No arrears			

State	Unitary/ Union/ WIPO	No Arrears/Year(s) of Arrears (<i>partial payment is indicated by an asterisk</i>)	Amount of Arrears (<i>Swiss francs</i>)		% of Total Arrears
Ghana	Unitary	94+95+96+97+98+99+00+01+02+03	32 187		
	Paris	80*+81+82+83+84+85+86+87+88+89+ 90+91+92+93	252 874		
	Berne	93	3 823	288 884	2.87
Greece		No arrears			
Grenada	Unitary	03*		467	0.00
Guatemala		No arrears			
Guinea	Unitary	94+95+96+97+98+99+00+01+02+03	16 091		
	Paris	90+91+92+93	13 276		
	Berne	90+91+92+93	7 460	36 827	0.37
Guinea-Bissau	Unitary	94+95+96+97+98+99+00+01+02+03	16 091		
	Paris	90+91+92+93	13 276		
	Berne	92+93	3 858	33 225	0.33
Guyana	Unitary	02*+03		3 862	0.04
Haiti	Unitary	94+95+96+97+98+99+00+01+02+03	16 091		
	Paris	90+91+92+93	13 276	29 367	0.29
Holy See		No arrears			
Honduras		No arrears			
Hungary		No arrears			
Iceland		No arrears			
India		No arrears			
Indonesia		No arrears			
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	Unitary	03		45 579	0.45
Iraq	Unitary	94+95+96+97+98+99+00+01+02+03	103 990		
	Paris	84+85+86+87+88+89+90+91+92+93	410 582	514 572	5.10
Ireland		No arrears			
Israel ¹	IPC	93*		23 989	0.24
Italy		No arrears			
Jamaica	Unitary	02+03		5 698	0.06
Japan	Unitary	03*		836 375	8.30
Jordan		No arrears			
Kazakhstan		No arrears			
Kenya		No arrears			
Kuwait	Unitary	03		11 395	0.11
Kyrgyzstan		No arrears			
Lao People's Democratic Republic		No arrears			
Latvia		No arrears			
Lebanon	Unitary	94+95+96+97+98+99+00+01+02+03	32 187		
	Paris	85*+86+87+88+89+90+91+92+93	256 140		
	Berne	85+86+87+88+89+90+91+92+93	294 361		
	Nice	85+86+87+88+89+90+91+92+93	23 502	606 190	6.01
Lesotho		No arrears			
Liberia ²	Unitary	94+95+96+97+98+99+00+02+03	14 667		
	Berne	91*+92+93	12 181	26 848	0.27
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	Unitary	96*+97+98+99+00+01+02+03		449 583	4.46
Liechtenstein		No arrears			
Lithuania	Unitary	03		11 395	0.11
Luxembourg		No arrears			

¹ Installment plan concluded in 1994 in order to settle the arrears of the IPC and Nice Unions by ten yearly installments. The corresponding payments are being received accordingly.

² Installment plan concluded in May 2000 in order to settle the arrears of the Berne Union and under the unitary contribution system by four yearly installments. The first installment payment was received during the year 2002.

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Madagascar		No arrears			
Malawi		No arrears			
Malaysia		No arrears			
Mali	Unitary	97*+98+99+00+01+02+03		10 052	0.10
Malta		No arrears			
Mauritania	Unitary Paris Berne	94+95+96+97+98+99+00+01+02+03 90+91+92+93 90+91+92+93	16 091 13 276 7 460	36 827	0.37
Mauritius		No arrears			
Mexico		No arrears			
Monaco		No arrears			
Mongolia		No arrears			
Morocco		No arrears			
Mozambique		No arrears			
Myanmar	Unitary	03		1 424	0.01
Namibia		No arrears			
Nepal		No arrears			
Netherlands		No arrears			
New Zealand		No arrears			
Nicaragua	Unitary	02*+03		5 031	0.05
Niger	Unitary Paris Berne	94+95+96+97+98+99+00+01+02+03 90+91+92+93 90+91+92+93	16 091 13 276 7 460	36 827	0.37
Nigeria	Unitary Paris	94+95+96+97+98+99+00+01+02+03 91*+92+93	261 916 237 156	499 072	4.95
Norway		No arrears			
Oman		No arrears			
Pakistan		No arrears			
Panama	Unitary	03*		1 651	0.02
Papua New Guinea	Unitary	02+03		5 698	0.06
Paraguay	Unitary	00*+01+02+03		8 901	0.09
Peru	Unitary	99*+00+01+02+03		37 954	0.38
Philippines	Unitary	02*+03		10 107	0.10
Poland		No arrears			
Portugal		No arrears			
Qatar		No arrears			
Republic of Korea		No arrears			
Republic of Moldova		No arrears			
Romania		No arrears			
Russian Federation		No arrears			
Rwanda	Unitary	01*+02+03		3 712	0.04
Saint Kitts and Nevis		No arrears			
Saint Lucia		No arrears			
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	Unitary	96+97+98+99+00+01+02+03		25 117	0.25
Samoa		No arrears			
San Marino		No arrears			
Sao Tome and Principe	Unitary	99+00+01+02+03		7 278	0.07
Saudi Arabia		No arrears			
Senegal	Unitary Paris Berne	94+95+96+97+98+99+00+01+02+03 91+92+93 90*+91+92+93	29 337 39 569 81 637	150 543	1.49

State	Unitary/ Union/ WIPO	No Arrears/Year(s) of Arrears (<i>partial payment is indicated by an asterisk</i>)	Amount of Arrears (<i>Swiss francs</i>)		% of Total Arrears
Serbia and Montenegro	Unitary Paris Berne Nice Locarno	94+95+96+97+98+99+00+01+02+03	893 246	1 117 920	11.09
		93*	79 996		
		91+92+93	135 984		
		93	6 447		
		93	2 247		
Seychelles	Unitary	01+02+03		8 547	0.08
Sierra Leone	Unitary	94+95+96+97+98+99+00+01+02+03		16 091	0.16
Singapore		No arrears			
Slovakia		No arrears			
Slovenia		No arrears			
Somalia	Unitary WIPO	94+95+96+97+98+99+00+01+02+03	16 091	20 543	0.20
		90+91+92+93	4 452		
South Africa		No arrears			
Spain	Unitary	03		455 790	4.52
Sri Lanka		No arrears			
Sudan		No arrears			
Suriname	Unitary Paris Berne IPC Nice	94+95+96+97+98+99+00+01+02+03	32 187	208 614	2.07
		89*+90+91+92+93	77 260		
		89+90+91+92+93	50 356		
		89+90+91+92+93	41 279		
		89+90+91+92+93	7 532		
Swaziland	Unitary	02*+03		3 426	0.03
Sweden		No arrears			
Switzerland		No arrears			
Syrian Arab Republic		No arrears			
Tajikistan		No arrears			
Thailand		No arrears			
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia		No arrears			
Togo	Unitary Paris Berne	94+95+96+97+98+99+00+01+02+03	16 091	26 848	0.27
		92+93	6 899		
		92+93	3 858		
Tonga		No arrears			
Trinidad and Tobago		No arrears			
Tunisia	Unitary	02*+03		7 565	0.08
Turkey		No arrears			
Turkmenistan		No arrears			
Uganda	Unitary	03		1 424	0.01
Ukraine		No arrears			
United Arab Emirates		No arrears			
United Kingdom		No arrears			
United Republic of Tanzania		No arrears			
United States of America	Unitary	03		1 139 475	11.30
Uruguay	Unitary	01+02+03		17 091	0.17
Uzbekistan		No arrears			
Venezuela	Unitary	03		11 395	0.11
Viet Nam		No arrears			
Yemen	Unitary	03		1 424	0.01
Zambia		No arrears			
Zimbabwe	Unitary	01+02+03		8 547	0.08

Total amount of arrears

Unitary Contributions	5 878 461	
Contribution-financed Unions and WIPO	4 205 453	
Grand Total	10 083 914	100.00

Observations

3. The total amount of the overdue contributions was, on September 17, 2003, about 10.1 million francs, of which 5.9 million francs concern the unitary contribution system, whereas 4.2 million francs concern the pre-1994 contributions in respect of the Contribution-financed Unions and WIPO. The total amount of arrears corresponds to 59% of the amount of the contributions payable for 2003, namely, 17.2 million francs.

4. Any payment that reaches the International Bureau between September 17 and September 22, 2003, will be reported to the Assemblies when they examine the present document.

5. The list of States with loss of voting right in one or more Assemblies as of September 22, 2003, will be communicated on request.

*Arrears in Annual Contributions
of the Least Developed Countries, Placed in a Special
(Frozen) Account Concerning the Years Preceding 1990*

6. It is recalled that, in accordance with the decision taken by the WIPO Conference and the Assemblies of the Paris and Berne Unions at their 1991 ordinary sessions, the amount of the arrears in contributions of any least developed country (LDC) relating to years preceding 1990 was placed in a special account, the amount of which was frozen as of December 31, 1989 (see documents AB/XXII/20 and AB/XXII/22, paragraph 127). Such arrears in contributions, as of September 17, 2003, concerning the Paris and Berne Unions and concerning WIPO are shown in the following table. Any payment that reaches the International Bureau between September 17 and September 22, 2003, will be reported to the Assemblies when they examine the present document.

State	Union/ WIPO	Year(s) of Arrears (<i>partial payment is indicated by an asterisk</i>)	Amount of Arrears (<i>Swiss francs</i>)		% of Total Arrears
Burkina Faso	Paris	77*+78+79+80+81+82+83+84+85+86+ 87+88+89	217 518		7.66
	Berne	77+78+79+80+81+82+83+84+85+86+87+ 88+89	137 566	355 084	
Burundi	Paris	78+79+80+81+82+83+84+85+86+87+88+ 89		214 738	4.63
Central African Republic	Paris	76*+77+78+79+80+81+82+83+84+85+ 86+87+88+89	273 509		8.37
	Berne	80*+81+82+83+84+85+86+87+88+89	114 858	388 367	

State	Union/ WIPO	Year(s) of Arrears (<i>partial payment is indicated by an asterisk</i>)	Amount of Arrears (<i>Swiss francs</i>)		% of Total Arrears
Chad	Paris	71+72+73+74+75+76+77+78+79+80+81+ 82+83+84+85+86+87+88+89	250 957		8.78
	Berne	72+73+74+75+76+77+78+79+80+81+82+ 83+84+85+86+87+88+89	156 387	407 344	
Democratic Republic of the Congo	Paris	81*+82+83+84+85+86+87+88+89	500 200		17.27
	Berne	81*+82+83+84+85+86+87+88+89	301 015	801 215	
Gambia	WIPO	83+84+85+86+87+88+89		55 250	1.19
Guinea	Paris	83+84+85+86+87+88+89	148 779		4.96
	Berne	83*+84+85+86+87+88+89	81 293	230 072	
Guinea-Bissau	Paris	89		23 213	0.50
Haiti	Paris	79*+80+81+82+83+84+85+ 86+87+88+89		347 037	7.48
Madagascar	Berne	89*		520	0.01
Mali	Paris	84+85+86+87+88+89	132 377		7.03
	Berne	73*+74+75+76+77+78+79+80+81+82+ 83+84+85+86+87+88+89	193 547	325 924	
Mauritania	Paris	77*+78+79+80+81+82+83+84+85+86+ 87+88+89	219 120		7.97
	Berne	74+75+76+77+78+79+80+81+82+83+84+ 85+86+87+ 88+89	150 618	369 738	
Niger	Paris	81+82+83+84+85+86+87+88+89	179 097		6.24
	Berne	80*+81+82+83+84+85+86+87+88+89	110 069	289 166	
Rwanda	Paris	89	23 213		0.80
	Berne	89	13 816	37 029	
Sierra Leone	WIPO	87*+88+89		20 445	0.44
Somalia	WIPO	83+84+85+86+87+88+89		55 250	1.19
Togo	Paris	84+85+86+87+88+89	132 377		4.75
	Berne	83*+84+85+86+87+88+89	87 785	220 162	
Uganda	Paris	73*+74+75+76+77+78+79+80+81+82+ 83+84+85+86+87+88+89		245 111	5.29
United Republic of Tanzania	Paris	81*+82+83+84+85+86+87+88+89		233 380	5.03
Yemen	WIPO	87*+88+89		19 142	0.41

Total amount of arrears

Paris	3 140 626	
Berne	1 347 474	
WIPO	150 087	
Grand Total	4 638 187	100.00

Amounts due towards the Working Capital Funds

7. The following table shows the amounts due, on September 17, 2003, in the payments by States towards the working capital funds that have been constituted, namely, those of two Contribution-financed Unions (Paris and Berne) and the PCT Union. Any payment that reaches the International Bureau between September 17 and September 22, 2003, will be reported to the Assemblies when they examine the present document.

State	Union	Amount due (<i>Swiss francs</i>)
Burundi	Paris	7 508
Central African Republic	Paris	943

State	Union	Amount due (Swiss francs)	
Chad	Paris	6 377	
	Berne	1 980	8 357
Democratic Republic of the Congo	Paris	14 057	
	Berne	1 727	15 784
Dominican Republic	Paris		19 142
Guinea	Paris	7 508	
	Berne	2 915	10 423
Iraq	Paris		6 665
Mauritania	Paris	5 813	
	Berne	1 980	
	PCT	50	7 843
Niger	Paris	4 121	
	Berne	104	4 225

Total amount due towards the Working Capital Funds

Paris Union	72 134
Berne Union	8 706
PCT Union	50
Grand Total	80 890

8. *The Assemblies of the Member States of WIPO are invited to note the status of the payment of contributions and of working capital funds on September 17, 2003, as contained in the present document.*

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