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STATUS OF THE PAYMENT OF CONTRIBUTIONS AS AT JUNE 30, 2013

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1. This document contains information concerning the arrears in annual contributions and in payments towards the working capital funds.

2. *The Program and Budget Committee is invited to recommend to the General Assembly of WIPO to take note of the contents of this document.*

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ARREARS IN CONTRIBUTIONS AS OF JUNE 30, 2013

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

1. The following table shows the arrears in contributions on June 30, 2013, 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 which are members of WIPO but 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 4 below.

| State | Unitary/ Union/ WIPO | No Arrears/Year(s) of Arrears (<i>partial payment is indicated by an asterisk</i>) | Amount of Arrears (Swiss francs) | | % of Total Arrears |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|---------|--------------------------|
| Afghanistan | Unitary | 12+13 | | 2 848 | 0.03 |
| Albania | | No arrears | | | |
| Algeria | | No arrears | | | |
| Andorra | | No arrears | | | |
| Angola | | No arrears | | | |
| Antigua and Barbuda | | No arrears | | | |
| Argentina | Unitary | 13* | | 32 559 | 0.32 |
| Armenia | | No arrears | | | |
| Australia | | No arrears | | | |
| Austria | | No arrears | | | |
| Azerbaijan | | No arrears | | | |
| Bahamas | | No arrears | | | |
| Bahrain | | No arrears | | | |
| Bangladesh | Unitary | 12+13 | | 2 848 | 0.03 |
| Barbados | | No arrears | | | |
| Belarus | | No arrears | | | |
| Belgium | Unitary | 13 | | 683 685 | 6.60 |
| Belize | Unitary | 13 | | 2 849 | 0.03 |
| Benin | | No arrears | | | |
| Bhutan | | No arrears | | | |
| Bolivia (Plurinational State of) | Unitary | 03+04+05+06+07+08+09+10+11+12+13 | | 31 339 | 0.30 |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina | | No arrears | | | |
| Botswana | | No arrears | | | |
| Brazil | Unitary | 12+13 | | 182 316 | 1.76 |
| Brunei Darussalam | | No arrears | | | |
| Bulgaria | | No arrears | | | |
| Burkina Faso | Unitary | 13 | | 1 424 | 0.01 |
| Burundi | Unitary | 94+95+96+97+98+99+00+01+02+03+04+ 05+06+07+08+09+10+11+12+13 | 30 331 | | |
| | Paris | 90+91+92+93 | 13 276 | 43 607 | 0.42 |
| Cambodia | | No arrears | | | |
| Cameroon | | No arrears | | | |
| Canada | | No arrears | | | |
| Cape Verde | Unitary | 13* | | 2 568 | 0.02 |

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|--|----------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|-----------|--------------------------|
| Central African Republic | Unitary | 94+95+96+97+98+99+00+01+02+03+04+ 05+06+07+08+09+10+11+12+13 | 30 331 | | |
| | Paris | 90+91+92+93 | 13 276 | | |
| | Berne | 90+91+92+93 | 7 460 | 51 067 | 0.49 |
| Chad | Unitary | 94+95+96+97+98+99+00+01+02+03+04+ 05+06+07+08+09+10+11+12+13 | 30 331 | | |
| | Paris | 90+91+92+93 | 13 276 | | |
| | Berne | 90+91+92+93 | 7 460 | 51 067 | 0.49 |
| Chile | | No arrears | | | |
| China | | No arrears | | | |
| Colombia | | No arrears | | | |
| Comoros | Unitary | 06+07+08+09+10+11+12+13 | | 11 392 | 0.11 |
| Congo | | No arrears | | | |
| Costa Rica | | No arrears | | | |
| Côte d'Ivoire | Unitary | 94+95+96+97+98+99+00+01+02+03+04+ 05+06+07+08+09+10+11+12+13 | 64 223 | | |
| | Paris | 92*+93 | 27 476 | | |
| | Berne | 92+93 | 15 434 | 107 133 | 1.03 |
| Croatia | Unitary | 12+13 | | 45 578 | 0.44 |
| Cuba | | No arrears | | | |
| Cyprus | Unitary | 13 | | 5 697 | 0.06 |
| Czech Republic | | No arrears | | | |
| Democratic People's Republic of Korea | | No arrears | | | |
| Democratic Republic of the Congo | Unitary | 94+95+96+97+98+99+00+01+02+03+04+ 05+06+07+08+09+10+11+12+13 | 30 331 | | |
| | Paris | 90+91+92+93 | 159 959 | | |
| | Berne | 90+91+92+93 | 90 326 | 280 616 | 2.71 |
| Denmark | | No arrears | | | |
| Djibouti | Unitary | 12+13 | | 2 848 | 0.03 |
| Dominica | Unitary | 10+11+12+13 | | 11 396 | 0.11 |
| Dominican Republic | Unitary | 94+95+96+97+98+99+00+01+02+03+04+ 05+06+07+08+09+10+11+12+13 | 98 399 | | |
| | Paris | 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 | 943 491 | | |
| | | | | 1 041 890 | 10.06 |
| Ecuador | | No arrears | | | |
| Egypt | | No arrears | | | |
| El Salvador | | No arrears | | | |
| Equatorial Guinea | Unitary | 10+11+12+13 | | 5 696 | 0.06 |
| Eritrea | | No arrears | | | |
| Estonia | Unitary | 13 | | 11 395 | 0.11 |
| Ethiopia | | No arrears | | | |
| Fiji | | No arrears | | | |
| Finland | | No arrears | | | |
| France | Unitary | 13* | | 839 475 | 8.11 |
| Gabon | Unitary | 94+95+96+97+98+99+00+01+02+03+04+ 05+06+07+08+09+10+11+12+13 | 64 223 | | |
| | Paris | 87+88+89+90+91+92+93 | 147 687 | | |
| | Berne | 86*+87+88+89+90+91+92+93 | 90 621 | 302 531 | 2.92 |
| Gambia | Unitary | 10+11+12+13 | | 5 696 | 0.06 |
| Georgia | | No arrears | | | |
| Germany | | No arrears | | | |
| Ghana | | No arrears | | | |

| State | Unitary/ Union/ WIPO | No Arrears/Year(s) of Arrears (<i>partial payment is indicated by an asterisk</i>) | Amount of Arrears (Swiss francs) | | % of Total Arrears |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|-----------|--------------------------|
| Greece | Unitary | 13* | | 34 183 | 0.33 |
| Grenada | Unitary | 10+11+12+13 | | 11 396 | 0.11 |
| Guatemala | | No arrears | | | |
| Guinea | Unitary | 94+95+96+97+98+99+00+01+02+03+04+ 05+06+07+08+09+10+11+12+13 | 30 331 | | |
| | Paris | 90+91+92+93 | 13 276 | | |
| | Berne | 90+91+92+93 | 7 460 | 51 067 | 0.49 |
| Guinea-Bissau | Unitary | 94+95+96+97+98+99+00+01+02+03+04+ 05+06+07+08+09+10+11+12+13 | 30 331 | | |
| | Paris | 90+91+92+93 | 13 276 | | |
| | Berne | 92+93 | 3 858 | 47 465 | 0.46 |
| Guyana | | No arrears | | | |
| Haiti | Unitary | 13 | | 1 424 | 0.01 |
| Holy See | | No arrears | | | |
| Honduras | Unitary | 11+12+13 | | 8 547 | 0.08 |
| Hungary | | No arrears | | | |
| Iceland | | No arrears | | | |
| India | | No arrears | | | |
| Indonesia | | No arrears | | | |
| Iran (Islamic Republic of) | | No arrears | | | |
| Iraq | Unitary | 12+13 | | 11 394 | 0.11 |
| Ireland | | No arrears | | | |
| Israel | Unitary | 13 | | 91 158 | 0.88 |
| Italy | Unitary | 13* | | 588 712 | 5.69 |
| Jamaica | Unitary | 13 | | 2 849 | 0.03 |
| Japan | Unitary | 13 | | 1 139 475 | 11.00 |
| Jordan | | No arrears | | | |
| Kazakhstan | | No arrears | | | |
| Kenya | | No arrears | | | |
| Kuwait | | No arrears | | | |
| Kyrgyzstan | | No arrears | | | |
| Lao People's Democratic Republic | | No arrears | | | |
| Latvia | | No arrears | | | |
| Lebanon ¹ | Unitary | 94+95+96+97+98+99+00+01+02+03+04+ 05+06+13 | 52 127 | | |
| | Paris | 91+92+93 | 39 569 | | |
| | Berne | 90*+91+92+93 | 90 425 | | |
| | Nice | 90+91+92+93 | 5 432 | 187 553 | 1.81 |
| Lesotho | | No arrears | | | |
| Liberia | | No arrears | | | |
| Libya | Unitary | 05*+06+07+08+09+10+11+12+13 | | 69 919 | 0.68 |
| Liechtenstein | | No arrears | | | |
| Lithuania | Unitary | 13 | | 11 395 | 0.11 |
| Luxembourg | | No arrears | | | |

¹ Installment plan concluded in July 2006, in order to settle the arrears of the Paris, Berne and Nice Unions and under the unitary contribution system by ten yearly installments.

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|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|---------|--------------------------|
| Madagascar | | No arrears | | | |
| Malawi | Unitary | 13 | | 1 424 | 0.01 |
| Malaysia | | No arrears | | | |
| Maldives | | No arrears | | | |
| Mali | Unitary | 11*+12+13 | | 3 082 | 0.03 |
| Malta | | No arrears | | | |
| Mauritania | Unitary | 94+95+96+97+98+99+00+01+02+03+04+ 05+06+07+08+09+10+11+12+13 | 30 331 | | |
| | Paris | 90+91+92+93 | 13 276 | | |
| | Berne | 90+91+92+93 | 7 460 | 51 067 | 0.49 |
| Mauritius | | No arrears | | | |
| Mexico | Unitary | 13* | | 123 063 | 1.19 |
| Micronesia (Federated States of) | Unitary | 05*+06+07+08+09+10+11+12+13 | | 23 045 | 0.22 |
| Monaco | | No arrears | | | |
| Mongolia | | No arrears | | | |
| Montenegro | | No arrears | | | |
| Morocco | | No arrears | | | |
| Mozambique | | No arrears | | | |
| Myanmar | | No arrears | | | |
| Namibia | | No arrears | | | |
| Nepal | Unitary | 11+12+13 | | 4 272 | 0.04 |
| Netherlands | Unitary | 13 | | 683 685 | 6.60 |
| New Zealand | | No arrears | | | |
| Nicaragua | Unitary | 12*+13 | | 3 082 | 0.03 |
| Niger | Unitary | 94+95+96+97+98+99+00+01+02+03+04+ 05+06+07+08+09+10+11+12+13 | 30 331 | | |
| | Paris | 90*+91+92+93 | 11 078 | | |
| | Berne | 90+91+92+93 | 7 460 | 48 869 | 0.47 |
| Nigeria | Unitary | 94+95+96+97+98+99+00+01+02+03+04+ 05+06+07+08+09+10+11+12+13 | 318 886 | | |
| | Paris | 91*+92+93 | 237 156 | 556 042 | 5.37 |
| Norway | | No arrears | | | |
| Oman | | No arrears | | | |
| Pakistan | | No arrears | | | |
| Panama | | No arrears | | | |
| Papua New Guinea | | No arrears | | | |
| Paraguay | Unitary | 13 | | 2 849 | 0.03 |
| Peru | | No arrears | | | |
| Philippines | | No arrears | | | |
| Poland | Unitary | 13* | | 34 188 | 0.33 |
| Portugal | | No arrears | | | |
| Qatar | Unitary | 13 | | 11 395 | 0.11 |
| Republic of Korea | | No arrears | | | |
| Republic of Moldova | | No arrears | | | |
| Romania | | No arrears | | | |
| Russian Federation | | No arrears | | | |
| Rwanda | Unitary | 13 | | 1 424 | 0.01 |
| Saint Kitts and Nevis | | No arrears | | | |
| Saint Lucia | | No arrears | | | |
| Saint Vincent and the Grenadines | | No arrears | | | |
| Samoa | | No arrears | | | |
| San Marino | | No arrears | | | |
| Sao Tome and Principe | | No arrears | | | |
| Saudi Arabia | | No arrears | | | |

| State | Unitary/ Union/ WIPO | No Arrears/Year(s) of Arrears (<i>partial payment is indicated by an asterisk</i>) | Amount of Arrears (Swiss francs) | | % of Total Arrears |
|--|----------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|-----------|--------------------------|
| Senegal | | No arrears | | | |
| Serbia | Unitary | 94+95+96+97+98+99+00+01 | 847 668 | | |
| | Paris | 93* | 79 996 | | |
| | Berne | 91+92+93 | 135 984 | | |
| | Nice | 93 | 6 447 | | |
| | Locarno | 93 | 2 247 | 1 072 342 | 10.35 |
| Seychelles | | No arrears | | | |
| Sierra Leone | | No arrears | | | |
| Singapore | | No arrears | | | |
| Slovakia | | No arrears | | | |
| Slovenia | | No arrears | | | |
| Somalia | Unitary | 94+95+96+97+98+99+00+01+02+03+04+ | 30 331 | | |
| | WIPO | 05+06+07+08+09+10+11+12+13 | 4 452 | 34 783 | 0.34 |
| South Africa | | No arrears | | | |
| Spain | Unitary | 13 | | 455 790 | 4.40 |
| Sri Lanka | | No arrears | | | |
| Sudan | | No arrears | | | |
| Suriname | | No arrears | | | |
| Swaziland | Unitary | 13 | | 2 849 | 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 | 01*+02+03+04+05+06+07+08+09+10+11+ 12+13 | | 17 928 | 0.17 |
| Tonga | | No arrears | | | |
| Trinidad and Tobago | | No arrears | | | |
| Tunisia | | No arrears | | | |
| Turkey | Unitary | 13* | | 32 558 | 0.32 |
| Turkmenistan | | No arrears | | | |
| Uganda | Unitary | 13 | | 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 | 13 | | 1 139 475 | 11.00 |
| Uruguay | | No arrears | | | |
| Uzbekistan | | No arrears | | | |
| Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) | Unitary | 11*+12+13 | | 32 921 | 0.32 |
| Viet Nam | | No arrears | | | |
| Yemen | Unitary | 13* | | 268 | 0.00 |
| Zambia | | No arrears | | | |
| Zimbabwe | Unitary | 13 | | 2 849 | 0.03 |

Total amount of arrears

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|--|------------|
| Unitary Contributions | | 8 148 137 |
| Contribution-financed Unions and WIPO | | 2 208 594 |
| Grand Total | | 10 356 731 |
| | | 100.00 |

Observations

2. The total amount of the overdue contributions was, on June 30, 2013, approximately 10.4 million Swiss francs, of which 8.2 million Swiss francs concern the unitary contribution system, whereas 2.2 million Swiss francs concern the pre-1994 contributions in respect of the Contribution-financed Unions and WIPO. The total amount of arrears corresponds to 59.0 per cent of the amount of the contributions payable for 2013, namely, 17.6 million Swiss francs.

3. Any payment that reaches the International Bureau between July 1 and September 9, 2013, will be reported to the Assemblies in a separate document.

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

4. 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 (documents AB/XXII/20 and AB/XXII/22, paragraph 127). Such arrears in contributions, as of June 30, 2013, concerning the Paris and Berne Unions and concerning WIPO are shown in the following table. Any payment that reaches the International Bureau between July 1 and September 9, 2013, will be reported to the Assemblies in a separate document.

| State | Union/ WIPO | Year(s) of Arrears (<i>partial payment is indicated by an asterisk</i>) | Amount of Arrears (Swiss francs) | | % of Total Arrears |
|----------------------------------|----------------|--|-------------------------------------|---------|--------------------------|
| Burkina Faso | Paris | 77*+78+79+80+81+82+83+84+85+86+87+88+89 | 214 924 | | 8.04 |
| | Berne | 77+78+79+80+81+82+83+84+85+86+87+88+89 | 137 566 | 352 490 | |
| Burundi | Paris | 78+79+80+81+82+83+84+85+86+87+88+89 | | 214 738 | 4.90 |
| Central African Republic | Paris | 76*+77+78+79+80+81+82+83+84+85+86+87+88+89 | 273 509 | | 8.86 |
| | Berne | 80*+81+82+83+84+85+86+87+88+89 | 114 858 | 388 367 | |
| Chad | Paris | 71+72+73+74+75+76+77+78+79+80+81+82+83+84+85+86+87+88+89 | 250 957 | | 9.29 |
| | 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 | | 18.28 |
| | 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 | 1.26 |
| Guinea | Paris | 83+84+85+86+87+88+89 | 148 779 | | 5.25 |
| | Berne | 83*+84+85+86+87+88+89 | 81 293 | 230 072 | |
| Guinea-Bissau | Paris | 89 | | 23 213 | 0.53 |
| Haiti | Paris | 79*+80+81+82+83+84+85+86+87+88+89 | | 347 037 | 7.91 |
| Mali | Paris | 84+85+86+87+88+89 | 132 377 | | 6.76 |
| | Berne | 76*+77+78+79+80+81+82+83+84+85+86+87+88+89 | 163 926 | 296 303 | |

| 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 |
|-----------------------------|----------------|--|--|---------|--------------------------|
| Mauritania | Paris | 77*+78+79+80+81+82+83+84+85+86+87+88+89 | 219 120 | | 8.43 |
| | 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 | | 6.59 |
| | Berne | 80*+81+82+83+84+85+86+87+88+89 | 109 915 | 289 012 | |
| Somalia | WIPO | 83+84+85+86+87+88+89 | | 55 250 | 1.26 |
| Togo | Paris | 84+85+86+87+88+89 | 132 377 | | 5.02 |
| | Berne | 83*+84+85+86+87+88+89 | 87 785 | 220 162 | |
| Uganda | Paris | 81*+82+83+84+85+86+87+88+89 | | 168 885 | 3.85 |
| United Republic of Tanzania | Paris | 83*+84+85+86+87+88+89 | | 145 846 | 3.33 |
| Yemen | WIPO | 87*+88+89 | | 19 142 | 0.44 |

Total amount of arrears

| | | |
|-------------|-----------|--------|
| Paris | 2 951 059 | |
| Berne | 1 303 363 | |
| WIPO | 129 642 | |
| Grand Total | 4 384 064 | 100.00 |

Amounts due towards the Working Capital Funds

5. The following table shows the amounts due, on June 30, 2013, in the payments by States towards the working capital funds that have been constituted, namely, those of two Contribution-financed Unions (Paris and Berne). Any payment that reaches the International Bureau between July 1 and September 9, 2013, will be reported to the Assemblies in a separate document.

| State | Union | Amount due (<i>Swiss francs</i>) | |
|----------------------------------|-------|---------------------------------------|--------|
| Burundi | Paris | | 7 508 |
| Central African Republic | Paris | | 943 |
| Chad | Paris | 6 377 | |
| | Berne | 1 980 | 8 357 |
| Democratic Republic of the Congo | Paris | 14 057 | |
| | Berne | 1 727 | 15 784 |
| Guinea | Paris | 7 508 | |
| | Berne | 2 915 | 10 423 |
| Mauritania | Paris | | 1 854 |

Total amount due towards the Working Capital Funds

| | |
|-------------|--------|
| Paris Union | 38 247 |
| Berne Union | 6 622 |
| Grand Total | 44 869 |

Evolution of Arrears in Contributions and Working Capital Funds Over the Last Fifteen Years

6. Since the introduction of the unitary contribution system in 1994 and the creation of new, more equitable contribution classes for the developing countries, the arrears in contributions have been reduced significantly. This reduction is partly explained by the total amount of contributions invoiced, which declined considerably between the years 1997 and 2012.

7. The following table gives the amounts of arrears in contributions (including the “frozen” arrears of the LDCs) and Working Capital Funds (WCF) since 1997.

| Arrears in contributions as of December 31 (millions of Swiss francs) | | | | | |
|---|----------------------|------------------------------|------------------|------|-------|
| Year | Unitary contribution | Contribution-financed Unions | “Frozen” arrears | WCF | Total |
| 1997 | 4.98 | 6.43 | 4.71 | 0.10 | 16.22 |
| 1998 | 4.21 | 6.20 | 4.70 | 0.09 | 15.20 |
| 1999 | 3.90 | 5.71 | 4.68 | 0.09 | 14.38 |
| 2000 | 4.94 | 5.43 | 4.68 | 0.09 | 15.14 |
| 2001 | 3.87 | 5.00 | 4.68 | 0.08 | 13.63 |
| 2002 | 3.04 | 4.34 | 4.64 | 0.08 | 12.10 |
| 2003 | 4.37 | 4.09 | 4.63 | 0.08 | 13.17 |
| 2004 | 3.09 | 3.92 | 4.63 | 0.08 | 11.72 |
| 2005 | 3.40 | 3.84 | 4.58 | 0.07 | 11.89 |
| 2006 | 4.10 | 3.79 | 4.54 | 0.06 | 12.49 |
| 2007 | 2.86 | 3.64 | 4.54 | 0.06 | 11.10 |
| 2008 | 2.38 | 3.07 | 4.45 | 0.05 | 9.90 |
| 2009 | 2.15 | 2.55 | 4.44 | 0.05 | 9.19 |
| 2010 | 3.12 | 2.43 | 4.41 | 0.04 | 10.00 |
| 2011 | 2.75 | 2.37 | 4.39 | 0.04 | 9.55 |
| 2012 | 2.26 | 2.28 | 4.39 | 0.04 | 8.97 |

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