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**43/229. Financing of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon**

*The General Assembly,*

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon<sup>104</sup> and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>105</sup>

Bearing in mind Security Council resolution 425 (1978) of 19 March 1978, by which the Council established the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon, and the subsequent resolutions by which the Council extended the mandate of the Force, the latest of which was resolution 617 (1988) of 29 July 1988,

Recalling its resolution S-8/2 of 21 April 1978 on the financing of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon and its subsequent resolutions thereon, the latest of which was resolution 42/223 of 21 December 1987,

Reaffirming its previous decisions regarding the fact that, in order to meet the expenditures caused by such operations, a different procedure from the one applied to meet expenditures of the regular budget of the United Nations is required,

Taking into account the fact that the economically more developed countries are in a position to make relatively larger contributions and that the economically less developed countries have a relatively limited capacity to contribute towards peace-keeping operations involving heavy expenditures,

Bearing in mind the special responsibilities of the States permanent members of the Security Council in the financing of such operations, as indicated in General Assembly resolution 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963 and other resolutions of the Assembly,

Having regard to the financial position of the Special Account for the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon, as set forth in the report of the Secretary-General,<sup>104</sup> and referring to paragraph 18 of the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>105</sup>

Recalling its resolution 34/9 E of 17 December 1979 and the subsequent resolutions in which it decided that the provisions of regulations 5.2 (b), 5.2 (d), 4.3 and 4.4 of the Financial Regulations of the United Nations should be suspended, the latest of which was resolution 42/223,

Mindful of the fact that it is essential to provide the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon with the necessary financial resources to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

Noting with appreciation that voluntary contributions have been made to the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon by certain Governments,

Concerned that the Secretary-General is continuing to face increasing difficulties in meeting the obligations of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon on a current basis, including reimbursement to current and former troop-

contributing States, resulting from the withholding of contributions by certain Member States,

Concerned also that the surplus balances in the Special Account for the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon have, in effect, been drawn upon to the full extent to supplement the income received from contributions for meeting expenses of the Force,

Concerned further that the application of the provisions of regulations 5.2 (b), 5.2 (d), 4.3 and 4.4 of the Financial Regulations of the United Nations would aggravate the already difficult financial situation of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon,

1. Decides to appropriate to the Special Account referred to in section I, paragraph 1, of General Assembly resolution S-8/2 an amount of 141,180,000 United States dollars authorized by the Assembly in paragraph 3 of its resolution 42/223 for the operation of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon from 1 February 1988 to 31 January 1989, inclusive;

2. Decides, as an *ad hoc* arrangement, without prejudice to the positions of principle that may be taken by Member States in any consideration by the General Assembly of arrangements for the financing of peace-keeping operations, to apportion the amount of 141,180,000 dollars among Member States in accordance with the scheme set out in Assembly resolution 33/14 of 3 November 1978 and the provisions of section V, paragraph 1, of resolution 34/9 B of 17 December 1979, section VI, paragraph 1, of resolution 35/115 A of 10 December 1980, section VI, paragraph 1, of resolution 36/138 A of 16 December 1981, section IX, paragraph 1, of resolution 37/127 A of 17 December 1982, and section VII, paragraphs 1 and 2 of resolution 39/71 A of 13 December 1984; the scale of assessments for the year 1988<sup>102</sup> shall be applied against a portion thereof, that is, 129,415,000 dollars being the amount pertaining on a *pro rata* basis to the period from 1 February to 31 December 1988 inclusive, and the scale of assessments for the year 1989<sup>103</sup> shall be applied against the balance, that is, 11,765,000 dollars for the period thereafter;

3. Decides that there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 2 above, their respective share in the estimated income of 20,000 dollars other than staff assessment income approved for the period from 1 February 1988 to 31 January 1989, inclusive;

4. Decides that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 2 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of the estimated staff assessment income of 1,744,000 dollars approved for the period from 1 February 1988 to 31 January 1989, inclusive;

5. Authorizes the Secretary-General to enter into commitments for the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon at a rate not to exceed 11,903,500 dollars gross (11,714,500 dollars net) per month for the twelve-month period beginning 1 February 1989, should the Security Council decide to continue the Force beyond the period of six months authorized under its resolution 617 (1988), the said amount to be apportioned among Member States in accordance with the scheme set out in the present resolution and the scale of assessments for the years 1989 and 1990;

6. Decides that the provisions of regulations 5.2 (b), 5.2 (d), 4.3 and 4.4 of the Financial Regulations of the United Nations shall be suspended in respect of the amount of

<sup>104</sup> A/43/826 and Corr.1.

<sup>105</sup> A/43/941, sect. III.

6,313,362 dollars, which otherwise would have to be surrendered pursuant to those provisions, this amount to be entered in the account referred to in the operative part of General Assembly resolution 34/9 E and held in suspense until a further decision is taken by the Assembly;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to take all necessary measures to ensure that the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon shall be administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy;

8. *Renews its invitation* to Member States and other interested parties to make voluntary contributions to the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon both in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, and also to make voluntary contributions in cash to the Suspense Account established in accordance with resolution 34/9 D of 17 December 1979.

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#### 43/230. Financing of the United Nations Iran-Iraq Military Observer Group

*The General Assembly,*

*Having considered with appreciation* the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Iran-Iraq Military Observer Group,<sup>106</sup> the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions<sup>107</sup> and the statements of the representative of the Secretary-General<sup>108</sup> and the Chairman of the Advisory Committee<sup>109</sup> thereon,

*Bearing in mind* Security Council resolution 619 (1988) of 9 August 1988, by which the Council established the United Nations Iran-Iraq Military Observer Group,

*Recalling* its resolution 42/233 of 17 August 1988 on the financing of the United Nations Iran-Iraq Military Observer Group,

*Recognizing* that the costs of the United Nations Iran-Iraq Military Observer Group are expenses of the Organization to be borne by Member States in accordance with Article 17, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations,

*Mindful* of the fact that it is essential to provide the United Nations Iran-Iraq Military Observer Group with the necessary financial resources to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

*Urging* all Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the United Nations Iran-Iraq Military Observer Group in full and on time,

*Reaffirming* its previous decisions regarding the fact that, in order to meet the expenditures caused by such operations, a different procedure is required from the one applied to meet expenditures of the regular budget of the United Nations,

*Taking into account* the fact that the economically more developed countries are in a position to make relatively larger contributions and that the economically less developed countries have a relatively limited capacity to con-

tribute towards peace-keeping operations involving heavy expenditures,

*Bearing in mind* the special responsibilities of the States permanent members of the Security Council in the financing of such operations, as indicated in General Assembly resolution 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963 and other resolutions of the Assembly,

*Noting with appreciation* that voluntary contributions in cash and in kind have been made to the United Nations Iran-Iraq Military Observer Group by certain Governments,

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1. *Decides* to appropriate to the Special Account referred to in paragraph 1 of General Assembly resolution 42/233 an amount of 18.3 million United States dollars gross, in addition to the 35.7 million dollars gross previously appropriated, for the operation of the United Nations Iran-Iraq Military Observer Group for the six-month period as authorized by the Security Council, from 9 August 1988 to 8 February 1989, inclusive;

2. *Decides also*, as an *ad hoc* arrangement, and without prejudice to the positions of principle that may be taken by Member States in any consideration by the General Assembly of arrangements for the financing of peace-keeping operations, to apportion the amount of 18.3 million dollars among Member States in accordance with the scheme set out in Assembly resolution 42/233; the scale of assessments for the year 1988<sup>102</sup> shall be applied against a portion thereof, that is 6,854,300 dollars being the amount pertaining on a *pro rata* basis to the period ending 31 December 1988, and the scale of assessments for the year 1989<sup>103</sup> shall be applied against the balance, that is 11,445,700 dollars, for the period thereafter;

3. *Decides further* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 2 above, shall take into consideration the decrease in their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of the estimated staff assessment income of 200,000 dollars of the amount approved for the period from 9 August 1988 to 8 February 1989, inclusive;

4. *Authorizes* the Secretary-General to enter into commitments for the United Nations Iran-Iraq Military Observer Group at a rate not to exceed 7,986,000 dollars gross (7,889,000 dollars net) per month, with prior concurrence of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, for the twelve-month period from 9 February 1989, should the Security Council decide to continue the Military Observer Group beyond the period of six months authorized under its resolution 619 (1988), the said amount to be apportioned among Member States in accordance with the scheme set out in the present resolution and the action to be taken in accordance with paragraph 5 below;

5. *Decides* that the voluntary contributions received in cash in the amount of 11 million dollars shall be credited as income to the Special Account for the United Nations Iran-Iraq Military Observer Group and that this amount shall be taken into account in calculating the total amount to be assessed on Member States for future mandate periods, including the next mandate period, on the basis of proposals by the Secretary-General and the related recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions consistent with the status of collection of assessed contributions and legal obligations of the Military Observer Group, and requests that a report

<sup>106</sup> A/43/696.

<sup>107</sup> A/43/768.

<sup>108</sup> See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-third Session, Fifth Committee, 37th meeting*, and corrigendum.

<sup>109</sup> *Ibid.*, 25th and 36th meetings, and corrigendum.