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DETAILED INFORMATION ON THE ACCUMULATED DEBT OF THE ICCAT CONTRACTING PARTIES & REVIEW OF THE PAYMENT PLANS OF PAST-DUE CONTRIBUTIONS

The Secretariat submits this document to the Commission which provides a historical summary, by years, of the accumulated debt of those Contracting Parties that, at **10 November 2017**, have not complied with their financial obligations.

BUDGETED CONTRIBUTION	NS/CONTRIBU	TIONS BUDG	ÉTISÉES/CO	NTRIBUCION	IES PRESUPU	UESTADAS
	TOTAL	2017	2016	2015	2014	Before 2014
A) ACTIVE CONTRACTING PARTIE	S / PARTIES CO	NTRACTANTE	ES ACTIVES / P	ARTES CONTR	ATANTES EN	ACTIVO
Angola	22,485.13	22,485.13				
Brazil	205,602.01	205,602.01	0.00			
Cap-Vert	420,287.13	48,874.66	45,330.79	26,243.36	25,928.51	273,909.81
Curação	109,329.41	109,329.41				
Ghana	147,347.61	147,347.61				
Guinea Ecuatorial	37,827.41	15,330.94	14,250.57	8,245.90		
Guinea, Rep. of	163,863.33	27,385.74	25,420.05	7,191.30	5,296.10	98,570.14
Honduras	106,749.96	5,222.02	4,852.60	4,696.80	4,465.94	87,512.60
Liberia	3,074.84	3,074.84	0.00			
Mauritania	16,099.20	6,962.69	6,470.13	2,666.38		
Namibia	26,632.30	26,632.30	0.00			
Nigeria	11,264.89	5,407.96	5,008.73	848.20	0.00	
Panama	192,277.42	87,929.18	82,102.13	22,246.11		
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	40,209.26	12,954.59	11,501.57	13,978.26	1,774.84	
Sâo Tomé e Príncipe	110,203.53	15,890.29	13,810.82	10,977.47	10,304.25	59,220.70
Senegal	37,166.32	32,052.74	5,113.58	0.00	0.00	
Sierra Leone	27,163.31	27,162.57	0.74			
Syrian Arab Republic	8,446.70	3,588.26	3,324.84	1,533.60		
United Kingdom (O.T.)	14.55	14.55				
Venezuela	166,732.63	58,617.47	54,770.17	53,344.99		
Total A)	1,852,776.94	861,864.96	271,956.72	151,972.37	47,769.64	519,213.25
B) WITHDRAWN CONTRACTING	PARTIES / RETI	RAIT DE PART	IES CONTRAC	TANTES / BAJA	S DE PARTES	
CONTRATANTES						
1. Cuba (Baja: 31-12-1991)	66,317.48					66,317.48
2. Benin (Baja: 31-12-1994)	50,508.83					50,508.83
Total B)	116,826.31	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	116,826.31
TOTAL A) + B)	1,969,603.25	861,864.96	271,956.72	151,972.37	47,769.64	636,039.56

At the last meetings of the Commission, the Standing Committee on Finance and Administration (STACFAD) has stressed how important it is that Contracting Parties comply with their budgetary obligations so that the Commission can function properly, and has expressed its concern regarding non-payment by the Contracting Parties with outstanding debt. For this reason, in 2017 the Secretariat has continued the practice of recent years of sending two letters of reminder annually to the Contracting Parties with pending debt that have not complied with their budgetary obligations.

Currently the number of Contracting Parties that owe past due contributions is still high. To date, the total outstanding debt is €1,969,603.25, which represents 54.17% of the 2017 budget.

In addition, it should be noted that five Contracting Parties are currently in the situation of having two or more years of arrears in the payment of contributions and hence face application of Article X of the ICCAT Convention referring to the suspension of voting rights.