

Executive Council

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DECISION

PROPOSAL FROM SURINAME FOR A PAYMENT PLAN TO REGULARISE THE PAYMENT OF ITS OUTSTANDING ANNUAL CONTRIBUTIONS

The Executive Council,

Noting that the Conference of the States Parties (hereinafter "the Conference") at its Eleventh Session approved the use of payment plans as a mechanism to encourage States Parties that are in arrears to regularise the payment of their outstanding advances to the Working Capital Fund or annual contributions, to eliminate those arrears, and thus to demonstrate their commitment to meeting their financial obligations under Article VIII of the Chemical Weapons Convention (hereinafter "the Convention") (C-11/DEC.5, dated 7 December 2006);

Noting also the request, in paragraph 5 of that decision, that the Executive Council make appropriate recommendations to the Conference on such payment plans;

Bearing in mind the terms of the mechanism set out in that decision for the implementation of such plans; and

Noting that Suriname has submitted to the Technical Secretariat a plan under which it has proposed to regularise the payment of its outstanding annual contributions (Annex to EC-104/DG.11, dated 11 September 2023);

Hereby:

Recommends that the Conference at its Twenty-Eighth Session:

- 1. approve the payment plan annexed hereto; and
- 2. permit Suriname to vote in the Organisation, notwithstanding the restriction that would otherwise apply under paragraph 8 of Article VIII of the Convention, provided that the terms of the payment plan continue to be met.

Annex: Payment Plan Proposed by Suriname

Annex PAYMENT PLAN PROPOSED BY SURINAME

Payment Due Date	Payment (Annual Contribution Plus Arrears)
2024: 1 January or 30 days after approval by the Conference of the Budget and scale of assessments for 2024	Annual assessed contribution for 2024
2024: 29 February	EUR 5,541.25
2024: 31 March	EUR 5,541.25
2024: 30 April	EUR 5,541.25
2024: 31 May	EUR 5,541.25
Total amounts payable (annual contribution plus arrears)	Annual contribution for 2024 and EUR 22,165.00