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DECISION OF THE COUNCIL RELATING TO THE BUDGET OF THE INTERNATIONAL SEABED AUTHORITY FOR 1999

The Council of the International Seabed Authority,

Taking into account the recommendations of the Finance Committee,

1. Recommends to the Assembly for adoption the revised budget of the Authority for 1999¹ in the sum of United States dollars 5,011,700;
2. Also recommends to the Assembly that it authorize the Secretary-General to establish a definitive scale of assessments for 1999 after 16 November 1998, based on the scale used for the regular budget of the United Nations for 1998, taking into account the annex to the present document, and as recommended in paragraphs 5 and 6 of the report of the Finance Committee;²
3. Also recommends to the Assembly that the amount of the agreed contribution by the European Community to the administrative budget of the Authority for 1999 shall be 80,000 dollars;
4. Also recommends to the Assembly that, in view of the prevailing exceptional budgetary situation, there should, as a practical measure, be one three-week session of the Authority in 1999;
5. Further recommends to the Assembly for adoption the following draft resolution:

"The Assembly of the International Seabed Authority,

1. Adopts the revised budget of the Authority for 1999¹ in the sum of United States dollars 5,011,700;

¹ ISBA/4/A/10/Add.1-ISBA/4/C/6/Add.1.

² ISBA/4/A/13/Rev.1-ISBA/4/C/10/Rev.1.

2. Authorizes the Secretary-General to establish the definitive scale of assessment for 1999 after 16 November 1998, based on the scale used for the regular budget of the United Nations for 1998, and as recommended in paragraphs 5 and 6 of the report of the Finance Committee²;

3. Decides that the amount of the agreed contribution by the European Community to the administrative budget of the Authority for 1999 shall be 80,000 dollars;

4. Also decides that the rate of assessment and the amounts of contribution to the general administrative fund and to the Working Capital Fund of Benin, Equatorial Guinea, Portugal and Suriname, which became members of the Assembly in 1997 and 1998 respectively, shall be as recommended in paragraph 8 of the report of the Finance Committee;

5. Further decides that for 1999 the Secretary-General is authorized to transfer between appropriation sections up to 30 per cent of the amount in each section;

6. Recalls paragraph 2 of its resolution ISBA/3/A/9 concerning the Working Capital Fund, and decides that, should the funds in the Working Capital Fund prove inadequate to meet the shortfalls in cash flow, the Secretary-General is authorized to utilize, in 1999, available funds under his custody up to a limit of 20 per cent of the approved budget for 1999, provided that such borrowed sums shall be reimbursed as soon as contributions or advances are available;

7. Decides also that advances and contributions shall be due and payable in full within 30 days of the receipt of the communication of the Secretary-General requesting payment, or as of 1 January 1999, whichever is later;

8. Decides to request the Secretary-General to seek the appointment of a United Nations External Auditor to audit the Authority for 1998;

9. Decides also to request the Secretary-General to make a proposal regarding the appointment of an auditor for the consideration of the Finance Committee in 1999, including the appointment of government auditors, or a private audit firm, in each case on the most cost-effective basis."

Annex

PART 1

INDICATIVE SHARE OF ALL MEMBERS OF THE AUTHORITY BASED ON THE REGULAR BUDGET
OF THE UNITED NATIONS FOR 1998 WITH THE FLOOR SET AT .01 PER CENT AND THE CEILING AT 25 PER CENT
IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,011,700 *al*

Country	United Nations percentage scale of assessment	Authority's adjusted percentage scale of assessment	United States dollars
Algeria	0.116	0.1188750	5,363
Angola	0.010	0.0100000	493
Antigua and Barbuda	0.010	0.0100000	493
Argentina	0.768	0.7870410	38,814
Australia	1.471	1.5074704	74,344
Austria	0.935	0.9581314	47,255
Bahamas	0.015	0.0153719	758
Bahrain	0.018	0.0184463	910
<i>p</i> Bangladesh	0.010	0.0100000	493
Barbados	0.010	0.0100000	493
<i>p</i> Belarus	0.164	0.1680660	8,289
<i>p</i> Belgium	1.096	1.1231731	55,392
Belize	0.010	0.0100000	493
Benin	0.010	0.0100000	493
Bolivia	0.010	0.0100000	493
Bosnia and Herzegovina	0.010	0.0100000	493
Botswana	0.010	0.0100000	493
Brazil	1.514	1.5515365	76,517
Brunei Darussalam	0.020	0.0204959	1,011
Bulgaria	0.045	0.0461157	2,274
Cameroon	0.014	0.0143471	708
<i>p</i> Canada	2.825	2.8950400	142,775
Cape Verde	0.010	0.0100000	493
Chile	0.113	0.1158016	5,711
China	0.901	0.9233364	45,536
Comoros	0.010	0.0100000	493
Cook Islands	0.010	<i>al</i> 0.0100000	493
Costa Rica	0.017	0.0174215	859
Cote d'Ivoire	0.012	0.0122975	606
Croatia	0.056	0.0573884	2,830
Cuba	0.039	0.0399669	1,971
Cyprus	0.034	0.0348430	1,718
Czech Republic	0.169	0.1731900	8,541
Democratic Republic of the Congo	0.010	0.0100000	493
Djibouti	0.010	0.0100000	493
Dominica	0.010	0.0100000	493
Egypt	0.069	0.0707107	3,487
Equatorial Guinea	0.010	0.0100000	493
Fiji	0.010	0.0100000	493
Finland	0.536	0.5513386	27,190
France	6.494	6.6550053	328,205
Gabon	0.018	0.0184463	910
Gambia	0.010	0.0100000	493
Georgia	0.058	0.0594380	2,931
Germany	9.630	9.8687559	486,697
Ghana	0.010	0.0100000	493

Greece	0.368	0.3771238	18,599
Grenada	0.010	0.0100000	493
Guatemala	0.019	0.0194711	960
Guinea	0.010	0.0100000	493
Guinea-Bissau	0.010	0.0100000	493
Guyana	0.010	0.0100000	493
Haiti	0.010	0.0100000	493
Honduras	0.010	0.0100000	493
Iceland	0.032	0.0327934	1,617
India	0.305	0.3125618	15,415
Indonesia	0.173	0.1772892	8,743
Iraq	0.087	0.0891570	4,397
Ireland	0.223	0.2285288	11,270
Italy	5.394	5.5277331	272,611
Jamaica	0.010	0.0100000	493
Japan	17.981	18.4268017	908,755
Jordan	0.010	0.0100000	493
Kenya	0.010	0.0100000	493
Kuwait	0.154	0.1578181	7,783
Lao People's Democratic Republic	0.010	0.0100000	493
Lebanon	0.016	0.0163967	809
Malaysia	0.168	0.1721652	8,491
Mali	0.010	0.0100000	493
Malta	0.014	0.0143471	708
Marshall Islands	0.010	0.0100000	493
Mauritania	0.010	0.0100000	493
Mauritius	0.010	0.0100000	493
Mexico	0.941	0.9643301	47,558
Micronesia (Federated States of)	0.010	0.0100000	493
Monaco	0.010	0.0100000	493
Mongolia	0.010	0.0100000	493
Mozambique	0.010	0.0100000	493
Myanmar	0.010	0.0100000	493
Namibia	0.010	0.0100000	493
Nauru	0.010	0.0100000	493
p Nepal	0.010	0.0100000	493
Netherlands	1.619	1.6591398	81,824
New Zealand	0.221	0.2264792	11,169
Nigeria	0.070	0.0717355	3,538
Norway	0.605	0.6199997	30,577
Oman	0.050	0.0512396	2,527
Pakistan	0.060	0.0614876	3,032
Palau	0.010	0.0100000	493
Panama	0.016	0.0163967	809
Papua New Guinea	0.010	0.0100000	493
Paraguay	0.014	0.0143471	708
Philippines	0.077	0.0789091	3,892
p Poland	0.251	0.2572230	12,685
Portugal	0.368	0.3771238	18,599
p Qatar	0.033	0.0338182	1,668
Republic of Korea	0.955	0.9766773	48,265
Romania	0.102	0.1045289	5,155
Russian Federation	2.873	2.9442301	145,201
Saint Kitts and Nevis	0.010	0.0100000	493
Saint Lucia	0.010	0.0100000	493

Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	0.010	0.0100000	493
Samoa	0.010	0.0100000	493
Sao Tome and Principe	0.010	0.0100000	493
Saudi Arabia	0.594	0.6087270	30,021
Senegal	0.010	0.0100000	493
Seychelles	0.010	0.0100000	493
Sierra Leone	0.010	0.0100000	493
Singapore	0.167	0.1711404	8,440
Slovakia	0.053	0.0543140	2,679
Slovenia	0.060	0.0614876	3,032
Solomon Islands	0.010	0.0100000	493
Somalia	0.010	0.0100000	493
South Africa	0.365	0.3740494	18,447
Spain	2.571	2.6347426	129,938
Sri Lanka	0.013	0.0133223	657
Sudan	0.010	0.0100000	493
Suriname	0.010	0.0100000	493
Sweden	1.099	1.1262474	55,543
p Switzerland	1.215	1.2451234	61,406
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	0.010	0.0100000	493
Togo	0.010	0.0100000	493
Tonga	0.010	0.0100000	493
Trinidad and Tobago	0.018	0.0184463	910
Tunisia	0.028	0.0286942	1,415
Uganda	0.010	0.0100000	493
p Ukraine	0.678	0.6948096	34,266
p United Arab Emirates	0.177	0.1813883	8,946
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	5.076	5.2018489	256,540
United Republic of Tanzania	0.010	0.0100000	493
p United States of America	25.000	25.0000000	1,232,925
Uruguay	0.049	0.0502149	2,476
Viet Nam	0.010	0.0100000	493
Yemen	0.010	0.0100000	493
Yugoslavia	0.060	0.0614876	3,032
Zambia	0.010	0.0100000	493
Zimbabwe	0.010	0.0100000	493
	98.201	100.0000000	4,931,700

International organizations in accordance with annex IX

European Community

80,000 g/

5,011,700

p - provisional member

a/ 1998 - 1999 assessment rate as contained in A/52/745 of 31 December 1997.

b/ Rate recommended by the Council.

g/ Contribution determined by the Assembly. This amount will be adjusted taking into account the evolution in the administrative budget and related funds.

PART 2

INDICATIVE SHARE OF MEMBERS OF THE AUTHORITY, NOT INCLUDING PROVISIONAL MEMBERS, BASED
ON THE REGULAR BUDGET SCALE OF THE UNITED NATIONS FOR 1998 WITH THE FLOOR SET AT .01 PER CENT
AND THE CEILING AT 25 PER CENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,011,700 a/

Country	United Nations percentage scale of assessment	Authority's adjusted percentage scale of assessment	United States dollars
Algeria	0.116	0.1792252	8,839
Angola	0.010	0.0100000	493
Antigua and Barbuda	0.010	0.0100000	493
Argentina	0.768	1.1865944	58,519
Australia	1.471	2.2727608	112,086
Austria	0.935	1.4446169	71,244
Bahamas	0.015	0.0231757	1,143
Bahrain	0.018	0.0278108	1,372
Barbados	0.010	0.0100000	493
Belize	0.010	0.0100000	493
Benin	0.010	0.0100000	493
Bolivia	0.010	0.0100000	493
Bosnia and Herzegovina	0.010	0.0100000	493
Botswana	0.010	0.0100000	493
Brazil	1.514	2.3391978	115,362
Brunei Darussalam	0.020	0.0309009	1,524
Bulgaria	0.045	0.0695270	3,429
Cameroon	0.014	0.0216306	1,067
Cape Verde	0.010	0.0100000	493
Chile	0.113	0.1745901	8,610
China	0.901	1.3920853	68,653
Comoros	0.010	0.0100000	493
Cook Islands	0.010	b/ 0.0100000	493
Costa Rica	0.017	0.0262658	1,295
Cote d'Ivoire	0.012	0.0185405	914
Croatia	0.056	0.0865225	4,267
Cuba	0.039	0.0602567	2,972
Cyprus	0.034	0.0525315	2,591
Czech Republic	0.169	0.2611126	12,877
Democratic Republic of the Congo	0.010	0.0100000	493
Djibouti	0.010	0.0100000	493
Dominica	0.010	0.0100000	493
Egypt	0.069	0.1066081	5,258
Equatorial Guinea	0.010	0.0100000	493
Fiji	0.010	0.0100000	493
Finland	0.538	0.8312341	40,994
France	6.494	10.0335207	494,823
Gabon	0.018	0.0278108	1,372
Gambia	0.010	0.0100000	493
Georgia	0.058	0.0896126	4,419
Germany	9.630	14.8787811	733,777
Ghana	0.010	0.0100000	493
Greece	0.368	0.5685765	28,040
Grenada	0.010	0.0100000	493
Guatemala	0.019	0.0293559	1,448

Guinea	0.010	0.0100000	493
Guinea-Bissau	0.010	0.0100000	493
Guyana	0.010	0.0100000	493
Haiti	0.010	0.0100000	493
Honduras	0.010	0.0100000	493
Iceland	0.032	0.0494414	2,438
India	0.305	0.4712387	23,240
Indonesia	0.173	0.2672927	13,182
Iraq	0.087	0.1344189	6,629
Ireland	0.223	0.3445450	16,992
Italy	5.394	8.3339715	411,006
Jamaica	0.010	0.0100000	493
Japan	17.981	25.0000000	1,232,925
Jordan	0.010	0.0100000	493
Kenya	0.010	0.0100000	493
Kuwait	0.154	0.2379369	11,734
Lao People's Democratic Republic	0.010	0.0100000	493
Lebanon	0.016	0.0247207	1,219
Malaysia	0.168	0.2595675	12,801
Mali	0.010	0.0100000	493
Malta	0.014	0.0216306	1,067
Marshall Islands	0.010	0.0100000	493
Mauritania	0.010	0.0100000	493
Mauritius	0.010	0.0100000	493
Mexico	0.941	1.4538871	71,701
Micronesia (Federated States of)	0.010	0.0100000	493
Monaco	0.010	0.0100000	493
Mongolia	0.010	0.0100000	493
Mozambique	0.010	0.0100000	493
Myanmar	0.010	0.0100000	493
Namibia	0.010	0.0100000	493
Nauru	0.010	0.0100000	493
Netherlands	1.619	2.5014275	123,363
New Zealand	0.221	0.3414549	16,840
Nigeria	0.070	0.1081531	5,334
Norway	0.605	0.9347521	46,099
Oman	0.050	0.0772522	3,810
Pakistan	0.060	0.0927027	4,572
Palau	0.010	0.0100000	493
Panama	0.016	0.0247207	1,219
Papua New Guinea	0.010	0.0100000	493
Paraguay	0.014	0.0216306	1,067
Philippines	0.077	0.1189684	5,867
Portugal	0.368	0.5685765	28,040
Republic of Korea	0.955	1.4755177	72,768
Romania	0.102	0.1575946	7,772
Russian Federation	2.873	4.4389136	218,914
Saint Kitts and Nevis	0.010	0.0100000	493
Saint Lucia	0.010	0.0100000	493
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	0.010	0.0100000	493
Samoa	0.010	0.0100000	493
Sao Tome and Principe	0.010	0.0100000	493
Saudi Arabia	0.594	0.9177566	45,261

Senegal	0.010	0.0100000	493
Seychelles	0.010	0.0100000	493
Sierra Leone	0.010	0.0100000	493
Singapore	0.167	0.2580225	12,725
Slovakia	0.053	0.0818874	4,038
Slovenia	0.060	0.0927027	4,572
Solomon Islands	0.010	0.0100000	493
Somalia	0.010	0.0100000	493
South Africa	0.365	0.5639413	27,812
Spain	2.571	3.9723101	195,902
Sri Lanka	0.013	0.0200856	991
Sudan	0.010	0.0100000	493
Suriname	0.010	0.0100000	493
Sweden	1.099	1.6980042	83,740
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	0.010	0.0100000	493
Togo	0.010	0.0100000	493
Tonga	0.010	0.0100000	493
Trinidad and Tobago	0.018	0.0278108	1,372
Tunisia	0.028	0.0432613	2,134
Uganda	0.010	0.0100000	493
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	5.076	7.8426472	386,776
United Republic of Tanzania	0.010	0.0100000	493
Uruguay	0.049	0.0757072	3,734
Viet Nam	0.010	0.0100000	493
Yemen	0.010	0.0100000	493
Yugoslavia	0.060	0.0927027	4,572
Zambia	0.010	0.0100000	493
Zimbabwe	0.010	0.0100000	493
	66.742	100.000000	4,931,700

International organizations in accordance with annex IX

European Community	80,000 ^{a/}
	<u>5,011,700</u>

a/ 1998 - 1999 assessment rate as contained in A/52/745 of 31 December 1997.

b/ Rate recommended by the Council.

c/ Contribution determined by the Assembly. This amount will be adjusted taking into account the evolution in the administrative budget and related funds.