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Scale of assessments for the fiscal period 2008-2009

Note by the Secretariat

Proposes a scale of assessments for the fiscal period 2008-2009, based on the application of the assessment rates adopted in resolution 61/237 by the United Nations General Assembly for the years 2008-2009, adjusted to the membership of UNIDO.

I. Scale of assessments

1. The Programme and Budget Committee is required under Article 10.4 of the Constitution to prepare the draft scale of assessments for regular budget expenditures, for submission to the Board. In accordance with Article 15.1 of the Constitution of UNIDO "Regular budget expenditures shall be borne by the Members, as apportioned in accordance with a scale of assessment established by the Conference by a two-thirds majority of the Members present and voting, upon the recommendation of the Board adopted by a two-thirds majority of the Members present and voting, on the basis of a draft prepared by the Programme and Budget Committee."

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2. Article 15.2 states that "The scale of assessments shall be based to the extent possible on the scale most recently employed by the United Nations. No Member shall be assessed more than twenty-five per cent of the regular budget of the Organization."

3. The latest available United Nations scale is the scale of assessments adopted on 22 December 2006, in General Assembly resolution 61/237, for the three-year period 2007-2009, which establishes:

- (a) A minimum assessment rate of 0.001 per cent;
- (b) A maximum assessment rate for the least developed countries of 0.01 per cent;
- (c) A maximum assessment rate of 22 per cent.

4. The General Conference at its ninth session adopted decision GC.9/Dec.10, in which it decided to establish a scale of assessments for the regular budget expenditures of UNIDO for the fiscal period 2002-2003 as contained in columns 5 and 6 (that is 22 per cent maximum assessment rate) of the annex to document IDB.24/5.

5. The application of the assessment rates adopted by the General Assembly for the years 2007-2009 (resolution 61/237), adjusted to the membership of UNIDO, results in a total assessment of 72.761 per cent (column 1 of annex), owing to differences in membership between the United Nations and UNIDO. To produce a scale of assessments that covers 100 per cent of regular budget expenditures of UNIDO, it is necessary to apply a mathematical coefficient to the United Nations rates for UNIDO Member States. The coefficient is not applied to the rates of United Nations Member States paying the minimum assessment of 0.001 per cent, and it ensures that the rate of least developed countries does not exceed 0.01 per cent as well as the maximum rate of any UNIDO Member State does not exceed 22 per cent. The coefficient (1.38991635604858) calculation is shown below.

Calculation of coefficient
(Percentage)

	<i>United Nations rate of assessment 2008-2009</i>	<i>UNIDO rate of assessment 2008-2009</i>
Total (172 Member States)	72.761	100.000
UNIDO Member State with highest assessment	-16.624	-22.000
UNIDO Member States paying the minimum assessment (0.001 per cent x 46 States)	-0.046	-0.046
Least developed countries (0.01 per cent x 2 States)	-0.020	-0.020
Total for calculation of coefficient	56.071	77.934
Coefficient for 2008-2009: 77.934/56.071		1.38991635604858

6. Column 2 of the annex to the present note shows the adjusted rates for the scale of assessments for the fiscal period 2008-2009 for States that are Members of UNIDO as of 9 February 2007, by applying the coefficient 1.38991635604858,

mentioned above. Column 3 shows assessment rates for 2006 and 2007, included for comparison purposes only.

II. New Member States

7. In accordance with financial regulation 5.6, new Members shall be assessed for the year in which they become Members at rates to be determined by the Conference. Adjustments to the scale, to include any State that may become a Member between now and the closure of the twelfth session of the General Conference in accordance with Articles 3, 24 and 25 of the Constitution, will be communicated to the Conference.

8. The General Assembly, in its resolution 61/237, paragraph 13, decided that the assessments of Montenegro for 2006 shall be deducted from those of the former Serbia and Montenegro for that year. Adjusted to UNIDO, the assessments of Montenegro for 2006 and 2007 at 0.001 per cent shall be deducted from those of the former Serbia and Montenegro.

III. Action required of the Committee

9. The Committee may wish to propose to the Industrial Development Board the adoption of the following draft decision:

“The Industrial Development Board:

“(a) Takes note of document IDB.33/3-PBC.23/3; and

“(b) Recommends to the General Conference the establishment of a scale of assessments for the regular budget expenditures of UNIDO for the fiscal period 2008-2009, based on the United Nations General Assembly resolution 61/237, adjusted to the membership of UNIDO on the understanding that new Members shall be assessed for the year in which they become Members on the basis of the United Nations scale of assessments, as applicable to UNIDO.”

Annex

Scale of assessments for 2008 and 2009 (Percentage)

<i>Member State</i>	<i>UNITED NATIONS assessment rates 2008-2009^a</i> (1)	<i>UNIDO assessment rates 2008-2009^b</i> (2)	<i>UNIDO comparative rates for 2006 and 2007</i> (3)
Afghanistan	0.001	0.001	0.003
Albania	0.006	0.008	0.007
Algeria	0.085	0.118	0.111
Angola	0.003	0.004	0.001
Argentina	0.325	0.452	1.391
Armenia	0.002	0.003	0.003
Austria	0.887	1.233	1.250
Azerbaijan	0.005	0.007	0.007
Bahamas	0.016	0.022	0.019
Bahrain	0.033	0.046	0.044
Bangladesh	0.010	0.010	0.010
Barbados	0.009	0.013	0.015
Belarus	0.020	0.028	0.026
Belgium	1.102	1.532	1.556
Belize	0.001	0.001	0.001
Benin	0.001	0.001	0.003
Bhutan	0.001	0.001	0.001
Bolivia	0.006	0.008	0.013
Bosnia and Herzegovina	0.006	0.008	0.004
Botswana	0.014	0.019	0.017
Brazil	0.876	1.218	2.216
Bulgaria	0.020	0.028	0.025
Burkina Faso	0.002	0.003	0.003
Burundi	0.001	0.001	0.001
Cambodia	0.001	0.001	0.003
Cameroon	0.009	0.013	0.012
Cape Verde	0.001	0.001	0.001
Central African Republic	0.001	0.001	0.001
Chad	0.001	0.001	0.001
Chile	0.161	0.224	0.324
China	2.667	3.707	2.987
Colombia	0.105	0.146	0.226
Comoros	0.001	0.001	0.001
Congo	0.001	0.001	0.001
Costa Rica	0.032	0.044	0.044
Côte d'Ivoire	0.009	0.013	0.015

<i>Member State</i>	<i>UNITED NATIONS assessment rates 2008-2009^a</i> (1)	<i>UNIDO assessment rates 2008-2009^b</i> (2)	<i>UNIDO comparative rates for 2006 and 2007</i> (3)
Croatia	0.050	0.069	0.054
Cuba	0.054	0.075	0.063
Cyprus	0.044	0.061	0.057
Czech Republic	0.281	0.391	0.266
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	0.007	0.010	0.015
Democratic Republic of the Congo	0.003	0.004	0.004
Denmark	0.739	1.027	1.045
Djibouti	0.001	0.001	0.001
Dominica	0.001	0.001	0.001
Dominican Republic	0.024	0.033	0.051
Ecuador	0.021	0.029	0.028
Egypt	0.088	0.122	0.175
El Salvador	0.020	0.028	0.032
Equatorial Guinea	0.002	0.003	0.003
Eritrea	0.001	0.001	0.001
Ethiopia	0.003	0.004	0.006
Fiji	0.003	0.004	0.006
Finland	0.564	0.784	0.776
France	6.301	8.758	8.775
Gabon	0.008	0.011	0.013
Gambia	0.001	0.001	0.001
Georgia	0.003	0.004	0.004
Germany	8.577	11.922	12.605
Ghana	0.004	0.006	0.006
Greece	0.596	0.828	0.771
Grenada	0.001	0.001	0.001
Guatemala	0.032	0.044	0.044
Guinea	0.001	0.001	0.004
Guinea-Bissau	0.001	0.001	0.001
Guyana	0.001	0.001	0.001
Haiti	0.002	0.003	0.004
Honduras	0.005	0.007	0.007
Hungary	0.244	0.339	0.183
India	0.450	0.625	0.613
Indonesia	0.161	0.224	0.207
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	0.180	0.250	0.228
Iraq	0.015	0.021	0.023
Ireland	0.445	0.619	0.509
Israel	0.419	0.582	0.680
Italy	5.079	7.060	7.109

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Jamaica	0.010	0.014	0.012
Japan	16.624	22.000	22.000
Jordan	0.012	0.017	0.016
Kazakhstan	0.029	0.040	0.036
Kenya	0.010	0.014	0.013
Kuwait	0.182	0.253	0.236
Kyrgyzstan	0.001	0.001	0.001
Lao People's Democratic Republic	0.001	0.001	0.001
Lebanon	0.034	0.047	0.035
Lesotho	0.001	0.001	0.001
Liberia	0.001	0.001	0.001
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	0.062	0.086	0.192
Lithuania	0.031	0.043	0.035
Luxembourg	0.085	0.118	0.112
Madagascar	0.002	0.003	0.004
Malawi	0.001	0.001	0.001
Malaysia	0.190	0.264	0.295
Maldives	0.001	0.001	0.001
Mali	0.001	0.001	0.003
Malta	0.017	0.024	0.020
Mauritania	0.001	0.001	0.001
Mauritius	0.011	0.015	0.016
Mexico	2.257	3.137	2.740
Moldova	0.001	0.001	0.001
Monaco	0.003	0.004	0.004
Mongolia	0.001	0.001	0.001
Montenegro	0.001	0.001	
Morocco	0.042	0.058	0.068
Mozambique	0.001	0.001	0.001
Myanmar	0.005	0.007	0.010
Namibia	0.006	0.008	0.009
Nepal	0.003	0.004	0.006
Netherlands	1.873	2.603	2.459
New Zealand	0.256	0.356	0.322
Nicaragua	0.002	0.003	0.001
Niger	0.001	0.001	0.001
Nigeria	0.048	0.067	0.061
Norway	0.782	1.087	0.988
Oman	0.073	0.101	0.102
Pakistan	0.059	0.082	0.080
Panama	0.023	0.032	0.028

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Papua New Guinea	0.002	0.003	0.004
Paraguay	0.005	0.007	0.017
Peru	0.078	0.108	0.134
Philippines	0.078	0.108	0.138
Poland	0.501	0.696	0.671
Portugal	0.527	0.732	0.684
Qatar	0.085	0.118	0.093
Republic of Korea	2.173	3.020	2.613
Romania	0.070	0.097	0.087
Russian Federation	1.200	1.668	1.601
Rwanda	0.001	0.001	0.001
Saint Kitts and Nevis	0.001	0.001	0.001
Saint Lucia	0.001	0.001	0.003
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	0.001	0.001	0.001
Sao Tome and Principe	0.001	0.001	0.001
Saudi Arabia	0.748	1.040	1.038
Senegal	0.004	0.006	0.007
Serbia	0.021	0.029	0.028
Seychelles	0.002	0.003	0.003
Sierra Leone	0.001	0.001	0.001
Slovakia	0.063	0.088	0.074
Slovenia	0.096	0.133	0.119
Somalia	0.001	0.001	0.001
South Africa	0.290	0.403	0.425
Spain	2.968	4.125	3.667
Sri Lanka	0.016	0.022	0.025
Sudan	0.010	0.010	0.010
Suriname	0.001	0.001	0.001
Swaziland	0.002	0.003	0.003
Sweden	1.071	1.489	1.452
Switzerland	1.216	1.690	1.742
Syrian Arab Republic	0.016	0.022	0.055
Tajikistan	0.001	0.001	0.001
Thailand	0.186	0.259	0.304
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	0.005	0.007	0.009
Timor-Leste	0.001	0.001	0.001
Togo	0.001	0.001	0.001
Tonga	0.001	0.001	0.001
Trinidad and Tobago	0.027	0.038	0.032
Tunisia	0.031	0.043	0.047

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Turkey	0.381	0.530	0.541
Turkmenistan	0.006	0.008	0.007
Uganda	0.003	0.004	0.009
Ukraine	0.045	0.063	0.057
United Arab Emirates	0.302	0.420	0.342
United Kingdom	6.642	9.232	8.916
United Republic of Tanzania	0.006	0.008	0.009
Uruguay	0.027	0.038	0.070
Uzbekistan	0.008	0.011	0.020
Vanuatu	0.001	0.001	0.001
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	0.200	0.278	0.249
Viet Nam	0.024	0.033	0.031
Yemen	0.007	0.010	0.009
Zambia	0.001	0.001	0.003
Zimbabwe	0.008	0.011	0.010
Total (172 Member States)	72.76100	100.00000	100.00000

^a Based on General Assembly resolution 61/237.

^b The scale in column (1) multiplied by the coefficient of 1.38991635604858, the coefficient is not applied to (i) Member States with assessment rates of 0.001 per cent; (ii) LDCs whose rate may exceed 0.01 per cent; and (iii) Member State with maximum assessment rate of 22 per cent.