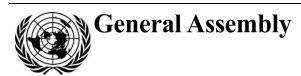
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Letter dated 17 January 2023 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the General Assembly

1. At present, nine Member States are in arrears under the terms of Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations, which states:

A Member of the United Nations which is in arrears in the payment of its financial contributions to the Organization shall have no vote in the General Assembly if the amount of its arrears equals or exceeds the amount of the contributions due from it for the preceding two full years. The General Assembly may, nevertheless, permit such a Member to vote if it is satisfied that the failure to pay is due to conditions beyond the control of the Member.

2. The minimum payments necessary to reduce the amounts owed by those Member States on their contributions so that they remain below the gross amount assessed for the preceding two full years (2021 and 2022) are as follows:

Member State	Minimum payment (United States dollars)
Comoros ^a	447 453
Dominica	20 580
Equatorial Guinea	619 103
Gabon	61 686
Lebanon	1 835 303
Sao Tome and Principe ^a	902 067
Somalia ^a	1 448 593
South Sudan	196 130
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	76 244 991

^a In its resolution 77/2, the General Assembly decided that the Comoros, Sao Tome and Principe and Somalia would be permitted to vote in the Assembly until the end of its seventy-seventh session.

(Signed) António Guterres



