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Letter dated 8 January 2024 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the General Assembly

1. At present, 10 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 (2022 and 2023) are as follows:

| Member State | Minimum payment (United States dollars) |
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| Afghanistan | 227 905 |
| Antigua and Barbuda | 21 036 |
| Comoros ^a | 380 484 |
| Dominica | 11 390 |
| Ecuador | 1 913 935 |
| Iran (Islamic Republic of) | 10 325 182 |
| Liberia | 22 840 |
| Sao Tome and Principe ^a | 858 022 |
| Somalia ^a | 1 281 624 |
| Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) | 107 922 906 |

^{*a*} In its resolution 78/2, 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-eighth session.

(Signed) António Guterres



