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Assessment of contributions by non-member States towards the 2020 expenses of the United Nations for their participation in United Nations activities

By its resolution 44/197 B, the General Assembly endorsed the revised 1. assessment procedures for non-member States contained in paragraphs 50 to 52 of the report of the Committee on Contributions (A/44/11, A/44/11/Add.1 and A/44/11/Add.1/Corr.1). These procedures provide for the assessment of contributions on the basis of a flat annual fee at the beginning of each year. The flat annual fee was calculated for each non-member State on the basis of a varying proportion of the applicable rate of assessment, which was applied to the applicable assessment base. The assessment base equals the total net assessment for the United Nations regular budget for the year, adjusted for tax refunds. In its resolution 58/1 B, the Assembly endorsed the recommendation of the Committee on Contributions that the flat annual fee percentage of the Holy See should be fixed at 50 per cent of the notional rate of assessment and that further periodic review of the flat annual fee percentage should be suspended. By its decision 68/548, the Assembly decided that the State of Palestine shall be called upon to contribute towards the expenses of the Organization on the basis of the same procedure.

2. The 2020 assessment base amounts to **\$2,805,335,300**, based on the gross assessment of **\$3,084,608,300** less staff assessment income of **\$279,273,000** (see ST/ADM/SER.B/1008). The contributions payable by two non-member States for 2020, based on the notional rates of assessment established in paragraph 17 of resolution 73/271, are shown below:

Non-member State	Assessment base (United States dollars)	Rate of assessment (percentage)	Flat annual fee	
			As proportion of assessment rate (percentage)	Amount payable (United States dollars)
Holy See	2 805 335 300	0.001	50	14 027
State of Palestine	2 805 335 300	0.008	50	112 213
Subtotal				126 240



