

ORGANISATION MONDIALE DU TOURISME WORLD TOURISM ORGANISATION ORGANIZACION MUNDIAL DEL TURISMO BCEMUPHAR TYPUCTCKAR OPFAHUJALUR

The Fourth General Assembly of the World Tourism Organization, meeting in plenary at Rome (Italy), today unanimously adopted the following resolution inviting the member States to approve an amendment to paragraph 13 of the Financing Rules attached to the Statutes:

"The General Assembly,

"Having regard to Article 33 of the Organization's Statutes,

"Sharing the concern expressed on several occasions by the Executive Council about the numerous cases of arrears in the payment by Members of their contributions to the Organization's budget,

"<u>Having taken cognizance</u> of the Council's proposal to strengthen the provisions of paragraph 13 of the Financing Rules attached to the Organization's Statutes,

"Adopts the amendment to paragraph 13 of the Financing Rules proposed by the Council, with some changes, the final text of the amendment reading as follows:

- '13. (a) A Member which is one or more years in arrears in the payment of its contributions to the Organization's expenditure may not be elected to the Executive Council or hold offices within the organs of the General Assembly.
 - '(b) A Member which is one or more years in arrears in the payment of its contributions to the Organization's expenditure and which has failed to explain the nature of the circumstances surrounding its failure to pay and to indicate the measures to be taken to settle its arrears shall pay a compensatory amount equal to 2 per cent of its arrears, in addition to the said arrears.



'(c) A Member which is in arrears in the payment of its financial contributions to the Organization's expenditure shall be deprived of the privileges enjoyed by the Members in the form of services and the right to vote in the Assembly and the Council if the amount of its arrears equals or exceeds the amount of the contributions due from it for the preceding two financial years. At the request of the Council, the Assembly may, however, permit such a Member to vote and to enjoy the services of the Organization if it is satisfied that the failure to pay is due to conditions beyond the control of the Member.'

"<u>Requests</u> the President of the fourth session of the General Assembly and the Secretary-General of the Organization to sign two copies of the present resolution, one of which will be transmitted to the Spanish Government in its capacity as Depositary of the Statutes and the other of which will be filed in the Organization's archives.

"<u>Recalls</u> that, in accordance with the provisions of Article 33(3) of the Statutes, the foregoing amendment will come into force when two-thirds of the member States have notified the Depositary Government of their approval."

In witness whereof we hereby append our signatures to the present document in two copies each, both equally authentic, of the English, French, Russian and Spanish texts, to be kept in the archives of the World Tourism Organization and of the Spanish Government, Depositary of the Organization's Statutes.

Done at Rome this twenty-fifth day of September, one thousand nine hundred and eighty-one.

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President of the Fourth General Assembly of the World Tourism Organization

Secretary-General of the World Tourism Organization



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