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DRAFT TEXT FOR THE REPORT
ON AGENDA ITEM 40.3

The attached material on Agenda Item 40.3 is submitted for consideration by the Administrative Commission.

Agenda Item 40: Apportionment of expenses of ICAO among Contracting States

Agenda Item 40.3: Assessments to the General Fund for 2005, 2006 and 2007

40.3:1 At its second meeting, the Administrative Commission examined A35-WP/24, AD/6, with the appendix containing the scales of assessment for the triennium 2005-2007.

40.3:2 The methodology used in calculating the scales of assessment was discussed, and the concern was raised that the application of the limitation principle places an additional burden on the States that are in the intermediate range of the scales of assessment (those above the minimum limit of 0.06% and below the maximum of 25%). The Commission recommends that the Assembly instruct the Council to examine the methodology, and in particular, the appropriateness of continuing to apply the limitation principle, which is defined in Assembly Resolution A21-33, Resolving Clause 1 e), in the calculation of the scales of assessment for future years.

40.3:3 The United Arab Emirates asked for the following statement to be registered: “The United Arab Emirates (UAE) is viewing with concern the steep increase in its Assessment to the General Fund. From 2004 to 2007, our Assessment is proposed to rise from 0.36% to 0.53% - i.e. 47 per cent over the next triennium. This follows an increase of 29 per cent over the present triennium. Within our Government structure, Federal resources do not match developments in Gross Domestic Product (GDP) and the Government budget is running at a significant deficit. Consequently, the UAE is obliged to register its reservations regarding the proposed apportionment of contributions (Assessment) to ICAO.”

40.3:4 There were no further comments, and the Commission referred the working paper A35-WP/24, AD/6 to the Contributions Working Group for review and report thereon.

40.3:5 Under the terms of reference established by the Commission in A35-WP/19, AD/1, the Contributions Working Group held one meeting to examine the draft scales of assessment for 2005, 2006 and 2007, as presented in A35-WP/24, AD/6. The Working Group had at its disposal A35-DP-AD/1, a discussion paper regarding the principles governing the calculation of scales of assessment, as well as schedules provided by the Secretariat which showed the statistical data, on assessable national income and aviation capacity, used in the calculation of the new assessment scales. This data was provided to the Working Group on a confidential basis.

40.3:6 The Working Group examined the statistics used in the calculation of the scales, and reviewed the computations made to arrive at the draft scale figures. The Working Group was satisfied with the mathematical interpretation, given by the Secretary General, of the principles set out in Clause 1 of Resolution A21-33, as amended by Resolutions A23-24 and A31-20, and expressed in A35-WP/24, AD/6. The Working Group presented its report to the Administrative Commission in A35-WP/284, AD/22.

40.3:7 In summary, based on the findings of the Contributions Working Group, the Administrative Commission is satisfied that the draft scales have been correctly calculated, and recommends that the Plenary adopt draft Resolution 40.3/1.

**RESOLUTION FRAMED BY THE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION
AND RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION BY THE ASSEMBLY**

Resolution 40.3/1

Assessments to the General Fund for 2005, 2006 and 2007

The Assembly resolves that the amounts to be assessed on Contracting States for 2005, 2006 and 2007 pursuant to Article 61, Chapter XII of the Convention, shall be determined in accordance with the scales set out below:

(The scales of assessment follow here, as in the Appendix to A35-WP/24, AD/6.)

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