



ASSEMBLY — 36TH SESSION

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION

REPORT OF THE CONTRIBUTIONS WORKING GROUP ON AGENDA ITEM 53

1. The Administrative Commission, at its first meeting held on 20 September 2007, established the Contributions Working Group to examine Agenda Item 53, and approved its terms of reference, which are contained in A36-WP/78, AD/16, Appendix B. The Administrative Commission tasked the Working Group with reviewing the contents of the Appendix to A36-WP/58, AD/13.

2. The Working Group held one meeting and was composed of the following members, who acted in a personal capacity:

Ms. S. Gehrler	Austria
Ms. Wang HY	China
Mr. T. Araki	Japan
Mr. R. Al-Tooqui	Oman
Ms. L. R. Luftig	United States

3. The Working Group elected Ms. L.R. Luftig (United States) as its Chairperson. Secretariat Services were provided by Mr. R. Barr, Secretary of the Administrative Commission, Mr. Y. Jobe, Secretary of the Working Group, Mr. A. Parson's, Acting Chief, Accounting Services Section, and Mr. R. Deslauriers, Liaison Officer.

4. The Working Group presents its report in the attachment to this paper, and recommends its approval by the Administrative Commission for submission to the Plenary.

Agenda Item 53: Assessments to the General Fund for 2008, 2009 and 2010

53.1 Under the terms of reference established by the Commission in A36-WP/78, AD/16, the Contributions Working Group held one meeting to examine the draft scales of assessment for 2008, 2009 and 2010, as presented in A36-WP/58, AD/13. The Working Group had at its disposal A36-DP-AD/1, an information paper regarding the principles governing the calculation of scales of assessment, as well as schedules provided by the Secretariat which show 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.

53.2 Before the meeting, one Contracting State that could not be present at the meeting of the Working Group, requested the Secretary of the Administrative Commission to examine the method of calculations pertaining to that State at the Working Group.

53.3 The request was accepted by the Working Group, which examined the statistics used for that State 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 draft Resolution 53/1, as presented in A36-WP/36, AD/6, EX/8.

53.4 In summary, the Contributions Working Group recommends that the Administrative Commission recommend to the Plenary the adoption of the scales of assessment presented in the Appendix to A36-WP/58, AD/13.