



WHO FRAMEWORK CONVENTION
ON TOBACCO CONTROL

**CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES TO THE
WHO FRAMEWORK CONVENTION ON TOBACCO CONTROL**

**FCTC/COP10(17)
10 February 2024**

**Tenth session (resumed)
Panama City, Panama, 5–10 February 2024**

DECISION

FCTC/COP10(17) Assessed Contributions

The Conference of the Parties (COP),

Reaffirming decision FCTC/COP7(23) and noting the report by the Convention Secretariat contained in document FCTC/COP/10/19/Rev.1;

Noting with concern that 59 Parties to the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (WHO FCTC) were in arrears as of 30 April 2023, including some Parties registering arrears for one biennium or more;

Welcoming with appreciation the overall spirit of commitment by Parties to meet their financial obligations to support the implementation of the WHO FCTC;

Emphasizing that Assessed Contributions are the mandatory financial contribution of each Party to the WHO FCTC in accordance with the agreed scale of assessment;

Noting the Convention Secretariat's note verbale CS/NV/22/24 through which, in accordance with decision FCTC/COP7(23), Parties in arrears of payment of Assessed Contributions were invited to pay their Assessed Contributions or to submit their plan for making payments to clear their arrears,

1. **URGES** the Parties to pay their Assessed Contributions in full, at the beginning of the biennium, in order to ensure adequate resources to implement the Workplan and Budget adopted by the COP;

2. **DECIDES**, in accordance with decision FCTC/COP7(23) and following the recommendation of the Bureau of the COP, to apply the following measures, with immediate effect to the Parties in arrears that have failed to submit, within the deadline established by the Head of the Convention Secretariat and communicated to the relevant Parties, their plan for making payments to clear their arrears:

(a) the Party shall not be eligible to become or nominate a member of the Bureau of the COP;
and

(b) the Party shall not be eligible to chair any subsidiary body or working group;

3. **DECIDES**, in accordance with decision FCTC/COP7(23), to apply paragraph 3(d) of the said decision, with effect at the close of the Tenth session of the COP, to those Parties that are in the situation described in the aforementioned paragraph;

4. **DECIDES**, in accordance with decision FCTC/COP7(23), that the measures imposed under paragraphs 2 and 3 shall immediately lapse for any Party once that Party pays its arrears in full;

5. REQUESTS the Convention Secretariat:

- (a) to communicate this decision to all Parties in arrears in the payment of their Assessed Contributions, as shown in the table of document FCTC/COP/10/19/Rev.1;
- (b) to report at each COP session the status of Assessed Contributions and to the Eleventh session of the COP on actions in accordance with the measures adopted in paragraphs 2 and 3 above;
- (c) to continue to actively engage Parties in finding ways to make payments, including providing individual invoices and receipts for each Party, as well as clear payment information on the WHO FCTC website, and in enhancing coordination with regional and country offices of World Health Organization, as well as assisting in the formulation of plans of payment.

(Seventh plenary meeting, 10 February 2024)

= = =