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DETAILED INFORMATION ON THE ACCUMULATED DEBT OF THE ICCAT CONTRACTING PARTIES AND REVIEW OF THE PAYMENT PLANS OF PAST-DUE CONTRIBUTIONS

The Secretariat submits this document to the Commission which provides a historical summary, by years, of the accumulated debt of those Contracting Parties that, at **14 November 2022**, have not complied with their financial obligations.

ICCAT BUDGET

BUDGETED CONTRIBUTIONS/CONTRIBUTIONS BUDGÉTISÉES/CONTRIBUCIONES PRESUPUESTADAS									
	TOTAL	2022	2021	2020	2019	Before 2019			
A) ACTIVE CONTRACTING PARTIES / PARTIES CONTRACTANTES ACTIVES / PARTES CONTRATANTES EN ACTIVO									
Brazil	323.280,22	323.280,22	0,00	0,00		0,00			
Cabo Verde	118.856,42	74.689,99	44.166,43			0,00			
Gabon	6.886,32	6.886,32				0,00			
Gambia, The	3.823,04	3.823,04				0,00			
Guatemala	0,01	0,01				0,00			
Guinea Ecuatorial	61.592,51	16.590,52	15.622,68	15.072,55	14.306,76	0,00			
Guinée-Conakry	245.577,08	5.734,56	5.524,67	5.538,86	33.245,93	195.533,06			
Honduras	134.004,92	5.734,56	5.524,67	5.538,86	5.228,94	111.977,89			
Liberia	18.795,99	8.402,02	8.929,29	1.464,68		0,00			
Libya	23.345,29	23.345,29	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00			
Mauritania	120.579,02	50.084,64	62.923,49	7.570,89		0,00			
Nigeria	25.285,81	5.751,03	5.524,67	5.538,86	5.228,94	3.242,31			
Panamá	144.004,94	140.952,39	3.052,55	0,00	0,00	0,00			
Russia	453,83	453,83				0,00			
Saint Vicent and the									
Grenadines	78.401,01	25.144,21	24.751,50	23.758,91	4.746,39	0,00			
Sâo Tomé e Príncipe	100.324,05	18.372,02	25.485,81	24.910,29	17.685,89	13.870,04			
Sierra Leone	50.932,65	5.734,56	5.524,67	5.538,86	3.485,96	30.648,60			
Syrian Arab Republic	8.289,17	4.358,18	3.930,99			0,00			
Venezuela	492.986,12	66.944,26	71.314,49	67.249,14	61.827,13	225.651,10			
Total A)	1.957.418,40	786.281,65	282.275,91	162.181,90	145.755,94	580.923,00			
B) BAJAS DE PARTES CONTRATANTES									
Cuba (Baja: 31-12-1991)	66.317,48					66.317,48			
Total B)	66.317,48	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	66.317,48			
TOTAL A) + B)	2.023.735,88	786.281,65	282.275,91	162.181,90	145.755,94	647.240,48			

At the latest meetings of the Commission, the Standing Committee on Finance and Administration (STACFAD) has stressed how important it is that Contracting Parties comply with their budgetary obligations so that the Commission can function properly, and has expressed its concern regarding non-payment by the Contracting Parties with outstanding debt.

Finally, it should be noted that in 2022 the Secretariat has continued the practice in recent years of sending two letters of reminder annually to the Contracting Parties with pending debt that have not complied with their budgetary obligations, attaching a copy of the letter from the Chair.

Currently, the number of Contracting Parties with arrears of contributions continues to be very high. To date, the total of the pending debt amounts to **€2,023,735.88**, which represents 42,26% of the 2022 budget.

EBCD SYSTEM BUDGET

For 2019, the Commission approved amendment of Regulation 4 of the Financial Regulations and addition of a new text which stipulates the financing of the electronic bluefin tuna catch document system through additional budgetary allocations from Commission members that catch and/or trade Atlantic bluefin tuna.

At the date of this report, two Contracting Parties (Libya and Syria) are in the position of having two or more years of arrears in the payment of their contributions.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO EBCD SYSTEM /CONTRIBUTIONS AU SYSTÈME EBCD/CONTRIBUCIONES AL SISTEMA EBCD										
	TOTAL	2022	2021	2020	2019					
CONTRACTING PARTIES / PARTIES CONTRACTANTES / PARTES CONTRATANTES										
Libya	6,999.74	1,458.13	2,718.13	1,774.69	1,048.79					
Syrian Arab Republic	3,073.53	620.36	1,097.45	728.19	627.53					
Tunisia	2,277.47	2,277.47								
Total	12,350.74	4,355.96	3,815.58	2,502.88	1,676.32					

The total pending debt amounts to €12,350.74, which represents 3.31% of the 2022 eBCD budget.