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ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Note by the Director

Introduction

1 Under Article 18.8 of the 1971 Fund Convention, the Assembly shall elect the Member States to be represented on the Executive Committee.

2 The Executive Committee consists of one third of the Member States, but of not less than seven or more than fifteen. If the number of Member States is not divisible by three, the one third referred to is calculated on the next higher number which is divisible by three (Article 22.1).

3 When electing the members of the Executive Committee, the Assembly shall, under Article 22.2:

(a) secure an equitable geographical distribution of the seats on the Committee on the basis of an adequate representation of Member States particularly exposed to the risks of oil pollution and of Member States having large tanker fleets; and

(b) elect one half of the members of the Committee, or if the total number of members to be elected is uneven, such a number of the members as is equivalent to one half of the total number less one, among those Member States in the territory of which the largest quantities of contributing oil were received during the preceding calendar year, provided that the number of States eligible under this sub-paragraph is limited as shown in a table set out in Article 22.2(b).

A Member State which was eligible but was not elected under sub-paragraph (b) above shall not be eligible to be elected for any remaining seat on the Executive Committee (Article 22.3).

Composition of the present Executive Committee

4 The present members of the Executive Committee, elected at the 18th session of the Assembly, hold office until the end of the 19th session of the Assembly, in accordance with Article 23.1 of the 1971 Fund Convention. The following States were elected members of the Executive Committee (document FUND/A.18/26, paragraph 12):

Elected under Article 22.2(b) of the 1971 Fund Convention	Elected under Article 22.2(a) of the 1971 Fund Convention
Canada	Algeria
Germany	Australia
India	Finland
Japan	Liberia
Netherlands	Mexico
Norway	Nigeria
Spain	Russian Federation
	United Arab Emirates

Composition of the new Executive Committee

5 At the time of the 19th session of the Assembly, the 1971 Fund will have 70 Members. Fifteen Members of the Assembly have therefore to be elected to the Executive Committee. Seven Members have to be elected in accordance with Article 22.2(b), and eight Members in accordance with Article 22.2(a). As regards the election of the Members under Article 22.2(b), the eleven Members with the largest quantities of contributing oil reported are eligible.

6 On the basis of the reports on contributing oil receipts submitted by 30 July 1996, the Member States are eligible as follows:

Eligible under Article 22.2(b)	Eligible under Article 22.2(a)		
Australia	Albania	Greece	Poland
Canada	Algeria	Iceland	Portugal
France	Bahamas	Indonesia	Qatar
Germany	Bahrain	Ireland	Russian Federation
India	Barbados	Kenya	Saint Kitts and Nevis
Italy	Belgium	Kuwait	Seychelles
Japan	Benin	Liberia	Sierra Leone
Netherlands	Brunei Darussalam	Malaysia	Slovenia
Republic of Korea	Cameroon	Maldives	Sri Lanka
Spain	Côte d'Ivoire	Malta	Sweden
United Kingdom	Croatia	Marshall Islands	Switzerland
	Cyprus	Mauritania	Syrian Arab Republic
	Denmark	Mauritius	Tonga
	Djibouti	Mexico	Tunisia
	Estonia	Monaco	Tuvalu
	Fiji	Morocco	United Arab Emirates
	Finland	Nigeria	Vanuatu
	Gabon	Norway	Venezuela
	Gambia	Oman	Yugoslavia
	Ghana	Papua New Guinea	

7 Article 23.2 of the 1971 Fund Convention provides that no Member may serve on the Executive Committee for more than two consecutive terms of office, except to the extent that this may be necessary to comply with the requirements of Article 22. Algeria, Liberia, Mexico and United Arab Emirates, eligible under Article 22.2(a), as well as India, Japan and Norway, eligible under Article 22.2(b), have been members of the Executive Committee for two consecutive terms.

8 According to Rule 41 of the Rules of Procedure of the Assembly, ballots shall first be held for the election of the seven members under Article 22.(b). Thereafter, ballots shall be held for the election of the remaining eight members under Article 22.2(a).

9 Information on the 1995 figures for contributing oil receipts is given in Annex I. With respect to those States which had not submitted their reports on the 1995 receipts at the time of the drafting of this document, the last year in respect of which a report was submitted is given, as indicated in the table.

10 With reference to the election of members under Article 22.2(a), information on the oil tanker fleets of Member States as at 31 December 1995 is given in Annex II.

Action to be taken by the Assembly

11 The Assembly is invited to elect new members of the Executive Committee to hold office until the end of the next regular session of the Assembly.

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ANNEX I

CONTRIBUTING OIL RECEIVED IN THE TERRITORIES OF MEMBER STATES IN THE CALENDAR YEAR 1995

Status as at 30 July 1996

Member State	Contributing Oil (tonnes)	% of Total
Japan	280 933 626	23.92%
Italy	147 130 496	12.53%
Netherlands	98 648 509	8.40%
Republic of Korea	97 931 477	8.34%
France	93 349 995	7.95%
United Kingdom	83 306 441	7.09%
Spain	58 011 893	4.94%
India (1993)	38 865 000	3.31%
Canada	36 668 232	3.12%
Germany	33 669 153	2.87%
Australia	29 293 967	2.49%
Norway	24 019 234	2.05%
Sweden	19 493 011	1.66%
Greece	18 082 743	1.54%
Portugal (1994)	15 553 460	1.32%
Malaysia (1994)	12 185 564	1.04%
Mexico	12 165 722	1.04%
Finland	11 378 019	0.97%
Indonesia	9 966 115	0.85%
Belgium (1994)	7 538 803	0.64%
Denmark	6 597 134	0.56%
Morocco	6 377 581	0.54%
Poland (1994)	5 996 336	0.51%
Bahamas	3 544 036	0.30%
Russian Federation (1991)	3 481 000	0.30%
Ireland	3 166 174	0.27%
Croatia (1994)	2 842 395	0.24%
Côte d'Ivoire	2 768 775	0.24%
Tunisia	2 692 690	0.23%
Sri Lanka	1 871 602	0.16%
Cyprus	1 493 194	0.13%
Cameroon	1 440 494	0.12%
Nigeria (1987)	1 284 634	0.11%
Ghana	948 863	0.08%
Algeria (1992)	555 583	0.05%
Syrian Arab Republic (1989)	421 078	0.04%
Gabon (1987)	420 099	0.04%
Mauritius	161 705	0.01%
Papua New Guinea	0	0.00%
Oman	0	0.00%

Member State	Contributing Oil (tonnes)	% of Total
Marshall Islands	0	0.00%
Slovenia	0	0.00%
Iceland	0	0.00%
Estonia	0	0.00%
Vanuatu	0	0.00%
Total	1 174 254 833	100.00%

Notes:

Figures in brackets denote year in respect of which oil reports were last submitted.

In some States, no contributing oil was received for the last year in respect of which a report was submitted (Benin, Brunei Darussalam, Djibouti, Fiji, Kuwait, Liberia, Maldives, Monaco, Qatar, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Seychelles, Tuvalu and United Arab Emirates).

In respect of some other States, no reports have been received since joining the Fund (Albania, Bahrain, Barbados, Gambia, Kenya, Malta, Mauritania, Sierra Leone, Switzerland, Tonga and Venezuela).

In respect of Yugoslavia no report was submitted for 1991–1995; 9 025 469 tonnes were reported for 1990.

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ANNEX II

SIZE OF OIL TANKER FLEETS OF MEMBER STATES

(compiled from Lloyd's Register of Shipping – World Fleet Statistics, December 1995)

Member State	Gross Tonnage
Liberia	29 001 918
Greece	12 835 688
Bahamas	10 326 006
Norway	8 778 702
Malta	6 792 823
Japan	6 032 916
United Kingdom	4 521 020
Cyprus	4 341 119
India	2 553 118
Russian Federation	2 294 345
France	2 018 496
Italy	1 955 624
Marshall Islands	1 502 135
Kuwait	1 342 512
Denmark	1 053 779
Indonesia	738 482
Australia	578 911
United Arab Emirates	518 961
Portugal	490 474
Spain	437 490
Mexico	424 543
Malaysia	411 603
Netherlands	405 280
Republic of Korea	399 239
Sweden	385 160
Venezuela	361 032
Finland	302 929
Nigeria	250 727
Canada	117 680
Qatar	104 866
Bahrain	53 551
Mauritius	52 757
Barbados	44 466
Vanuatu	38 460
Algeria	34 797
Morocco	14 283
Germany	14 220
Estonia	9 862
Ireland	9 157
Tunisia	8 556
Poland	6 640

Member State	Gross Tonnage
Croatia	6 305
Maldives	6 143
Kenya	4 224
Papua New Guinea	3 199
Fiji	2 969
Sri Lanka	2 552
Belgium	2 357
Iceland	1 578
Sierra Leone	1 405
Ghana	965
Côte d'Ivoire	789
Gabon	652
Oman	313
Brunei Darussalam	239
Gambia	0
Switzerland	0
Tonga	0
Tuvalu	0

Countries not appearing on statistics = Albania, Benin, Cameroon, Djibouti, Mauritania, Monaco, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Seychelles, Slovenia, Syrian Arab Republic, Yugoslavia.