

 <p>Agreement on the Conservation of Albatrosses and Petrels</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Seventh Meeting of the Parties <i>Virtual meeting, 9 - 13 May 2022 (UTC+10)</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Draft Scale of Contributions 2023 - 2025</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Secretariat</p>
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SUMMARY

A draft scale of contributions for 2023 - 2025 is provided for the consideration of Parties. The scale of contributions has been developed in accordance with the principles agreed to by Parties and following criteria in Resolution 6.6 Appendix B. The formula used to calculate Parties' contributions has been updated with the latest available United Nations (UN) and World Bank values.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Parties adopt the proposed scale of contributions to be paid by Parties in 2023 - 2025.

1. BACKGROUND

At the Third Session of the Meeting of the Parties (MoP3), a set of principles were agreed for calculating the contributions of Parties to the Agreement (para 7.10.2, [MoP3 Report](#)). The formula to be used to calculate Parties' contributions was set out in [Resolution 3.6](#).

At the Fourth Session of the Meeting of the Parties (MoP4), it was agreed to continue using this formula to determine Parties' contributions for the 2013-2015 triennium. Subsequently, the Fifth Session of the Meeting of the Parties (MoP5) agreed to amend the scale of contributions formula to delete paragraph 4 concerning the application of the scale of contributions formula, for the 2019-2021 triennium and thereafter ([Resolution 5.6 Appendix B](#)). Parties agreed that this would ensure consideration at MoP6 of a scale of contributions in line with Article VII (2)(a) of the Agreement. The formula was adopted as [Resolution 6.6 Appendix B](#) at MoP6. An updated version of this formula, referring to latest dates for relevant data, is attached as **ANNEX 1** (with edits tracked).

In July 2020, Parties agreed to a proposal (put forward in Circular ACAP-ANCP 2020-06) for an intersessional consultation and decision-making process by correspondence to adopt by mid-May 2021 a one-year Budget (2021 - 2022) and scale of contributions, together with other

essential decisions. However, it was not possible to reach consensus on a Budget and scale of contributions for 2021 - 2022. As a result, the 2021 - 2022 Budget and scale of contributions were simply a carryover of the 2020 - 2021 figures (in accordance with Article VII, paragraph 2 (b), of the Agreement on the Conservation of Albatrosses and Petrels).

2. PROPOSED SCALE OF CONTRIBUTIONS FOR 2023 - 2025

2.1. Values used in calculating the scale of contributions for 2023 - 2025

United Nations [Resolution 76/238](#) on the 'Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations', adopted on 24 December 2021 and issued on 4 January 2022, is the latest resolution on this issue. Values from this Resolution have been used in the calculation of the UN Scale of Assessment (UN%).

Data from the World Bank have been used to determine the Gross National Income (*GNI%*, (<https://data.worldbank.org/indicator/NY.GNP.MKTP.PP.CD>) and the Gross National Income per capita (*GNIpc%*, <https://data.worldbank.org/indicator/NY.GNP.PCAP.PP.CD>) data in the formula (downloaded on 27 January 2022.) Values for *GNI%* and *GNIpc%* are expressed in international dollars using purchasing power parity (PPP) rates. GNI PPP provides values for gross national income expressed in current international dollars converted by the purchasing power parity (PPP) conversion factor. Gross national income (GNI) is the sum of value added by all resident producers plus any product taxes (less subsidies) not included in the valuation of output plus net receipts of primary income (compensation of employees and property income) from abroad. The PPP conversion factor is a spatial price deflator and currency converter that eliminates the effects of the differences in price levels between countries. *GNIpc* (PPP) provides per capita values for gross national income expressed in current international dollars converted by the purchasing power parity (PPP) conversion factor.

2.2. Calculation of the scale of contributions for 2023 - 2025

In the calculation of Equation 1 (related to the UN scale of assessments for ACAP Parties), two ACAP Parties, Ecuador and Uruguay, remain with their UN scale of assessments below 0.15%. Since Peru's UN scale of assessment is now greater than 0.15%, Peru's ACAP contribution is assessed according to Equation 2. Calculation of Equation 2 showed that no Party contributed more than 20% of the proposed contributions for 2023 - 2025; it was accordingly not necessary to apply Equation 3.

The Secretariat has prepared a budget scenario with a 4.5% increase in Parties' contributions over those in the 2021 - 2022 Budget (**Table 1**), following the annual increase in Hobart's Consumer Price Index for the year ending December 2021. This does not take into account the fact that contributions in 2021 - 2022 were a repeat of those in 2020-2021 and did not include any increase for inflation. This paper should be read in conjunction with **MoP7 Doc 13**, which sets out a draft Budget for 2023 - 2025.

Table 1. Proposed Scale of Contributions by ACAP Parties for 2023 - 2025 under a 4.5% increase scenario

Party	UN Scale of Contributions 2021 ⁽¹⁾	UN Scale as ACAP %	GNI% (PPP) 2020 ⁽²⁾	GNIpc (PPP) 2020 ⁽²⁾	2022 Contributions (AUD)	2023 Contributions (AUD)	2024 Contributions (AUD)	2025 Contributions (AUD)
Argentina	0.719	0.041	917,475,646,139.5	20,220	47,219	46,429	48,518	50,702
Australia	2.111	0.120	1,318,414,721,068.5	51,330	85,421	91,170	95,273	99,560
Brazil	2.013	0.114	3,091,872,015,155.9	14,550	104,802	97,634	102,027	106,618
Chile	0.420	0.024	458,482,640,755.5	23,980	39,169	38,434	40,163	41,971
Ecuador	0.077	0.004			2,564	3,624	3,787	3,957
France	4.318	0.245	3,197,659,159,134.5	47,450	121,567	136,544	142,689	149,110
New Zealand	0.309	0.018	217,432,574,053.1	42,770	49,217	52,695	55,066	57,544
Norway	0.679	0.038	355,645,347,255.3	66,110	82,705	81,967	85,656	89,510
Peru	0.163	0.009	379,552,445,021.4	11,510	5,205	22,660	23,680	24,745
South Africa	0.244	0.014	778,824,147,835.6	13,130	35,545	34,984	36,558	38,203
Spain	2.134	0.121	1,826,277,700,640.5	38,570	90,809	90,576	94,652	98,911
United Kingdom	4.375	0.248	3,036,262,327,232.9	45,170	127,801	129,779	135,619	141,722
Uruguay	0.092	0.005			3,023	4,329	4,524	4,728
TOTALS	17.654	1.000	15,577,898,724,292.7	374,790	795,047	830,824	868,211	907,281

ΣGNI%ACAP	15,577,898,724,293
ΣGNIpc%ACAP	374,790
Σ%Contribution	0.00957290
1-Σ%Contribution	0.990427099

ACAP Budget 2022	795,047	MoP6 – intersessional decision
ACAP Budget 2023	830,824	+4.5% scenario
ACAP Budget 2024	868,211	+4.5% scenario
ACAP Budget 2025	907,281	+4.5% scenario

⁽¹⁾ United Nations Resolution A/RES/76/238. Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (issued on 4 January 2022)

⁽²⁾ World Bank, World Development Indicators <http://wdi.worldbank.org/tables>, last updated: 27 January 2022.

ANNEX 1

RESOLUTION 7.x APPENDIX B

Scale of Contributions Formulae

1. For Parties whose scale of assessment under the United Nations Scale of Assessment for the UN Budget (currently ~~Resolution 61/237, February 2007~~ Resolution 76/238, issued 4 January 2022) is less than or equal to 0.15%, annual contributions shall be calculated on the UN Scale of Assessment.

$$Contribution1 = \frac{UN\%}{\sum UN\% ACAP} * ACAPBudget$$

(Equation 1)

where: UN % is the calculated UN Scale of Assessment for a Party outlined in the United Nations Scale of Assessment for payment of annual contributions to the UN Budget (currently ~~Resolution 58/1 B, March 2004~~ Resolution 76/238, 4 January 2022);

$\sum UN\% ACAP$ is the sum of the UN Scale of Assessment for all ACAP Parties outlined in UN Resolution ~~58/1 B~~ 76/238; and

$ACAPBudget$ is the annual budget approved by the Meeting of the Parties.

2. For Parties whose scale of assessment under the United Nations Scale of Assessment for the UN Budget (~~Resolution 61/237, February 2007~~ Resolution 76/238, 4 January 2022) is greater than 0.15%, annual contributions shall be calculated based on 50% GNI, and 50% GNI per capita, with no party paying more than 20% of the total ACAP Budget. It is calculated using the following equations:

$$Contribution2 = \left[\sum \left(\frac{GNI\%}{\sum GNI\% ACAP} \cdot 0.5 \right), \left(\frac{GNIpc\%}{\sum GNIpc\% ACAP} \cdot 0.5 \right) \right] \cdot (1 - \sum \% Contribution1) \\ * ACAPBudget$$

(Equation 2)

where: GNI % is the Gross National Income for a Party that has a Scale of Assessment under the United Nations Scale of Assessment that is greater than 0.15%;

$\sum GNI\% ACAP$ is the sum of the Gross National Incomes for all ACAP Parties that have a Scale of Assessment under the United Nations Scale of Assessment that is greater than 0.15%;

GNIpc% is the Gross National Income per capita for a Party that has a Scale of Assessment under the United Nations Scale of Assessment that is greater than 0.15%;

$\sum GNI\% ACAP$ is the sum of the Gross National Incomes per capita for all ACAP Parties that have a Scale of Assessment under the United Nations Scale of Assessment that is greater than 0.15%; and

$\sum \% Contribution1$ is the total assessed contributions for Parties whose scale of assessment under the United Nations Scale of Assessment for the UN Budget is less than or equal to 0.15%: it is expressed as a percentage of the ACAP budget.

3. If the calculated percentage contribution for one or more parties resulting from Equation 2 exceeds 20%, the contribution for the Party/Parties is set at 20% of the annual budget, and the contribution for the residual Parties recalculated in one or more subsequent iterations of the following formula:

$$Contribution = \left[\sum \left(\frac{GNI\%}{\sum GNI\% ACAP < 20\%} \cdot 0.5 \right), \left(\frac{GNIpc\%}{\sum GNIpc\% ACAP < 20\%} \cdot 0.5 \right) \right]$$

$$\bullet \left(1 - [(0.20 \cdot Parties > 20\%) + (\sum \% Contribution1)] \right) \bullet ACAPBudget$$

(Equation 3)

where: $\sum GNI\% ACAP Parties < 20\%$ is the sum of the Gross National Incomes for all ACAP Parties that have an assessed annual ACAP contribution < 20% in Equation 2;

$\sum GNIpc\% ACAP Parties < 20\%$ is the sum of the Gross National Incomes per capita for all ACAP Parties that have an assessed annual ACAP contribution < 20% in Equation 2;

$Parties > 20\%$ is the number of Parties that have an assessed contribution from Equation 2 or subsequent iterations of this equation that is >20% of the ACAP Budget.