

## **9 – FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT**

### ***9.4 – Membership contribution status***

#### **1. GENERAL STATUS OF MEMBERSHIP**

The actions and efforts from the Secretariat in collecting membership contributions proved to be valuable as 80% of the 2017 contributions have been paid in October. This compares favourably with the collection rate at the same date of 73% in 2016.

55% of the outstanding contributions (from 2012 to 2016) have been settled but €246,171 remain unpaid by 22 National, 27 Industrials and 10 Associate members.

In total, the Organisation has collected 75% of its contributions as at 31 October 2017 which is an improvement compared to October 2016 (69%).

This is also due to the increase in the number of members (279 members in total in October 2017 compared with 270 members in October 2016).

#### **2. MEMBERS IN FINANCIAL DIFFICULTY**

The list of members with outstanding balances is summarized below:

<b>NATIONAL</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
Algeria	15 240	14 800	14 400		44 440 €
Gabon	15 240	14 800	14 400	14 000	58 440 €
Republic of Congo	15 240	14 800	14 400		44 440 €
<i>Total</i>	<b>45 720</b>	<b>44 400</b>	<b>43 200</b>	<b>14 000</b>	<b>147 320 €</b>

  

<b>INDUSTRIAL</b>					
Arman Moje Asia (AMACO) - Iran	6 170	6 010	2 675		14 855 €
Aster S.p.a - Italy	6 170	6 010	5 350	1 006	18 536 €
<i>Total</i>	<b>12 340</b>	<b>12 020</b>	<b>8 025</b>	<b>1 006</b>	<b>33 391 €</b>

  

<b>ASSOCIATE</b>					
Direccion de Vias Navegables - Argentina	2 980	2 900	2 810		8 690 €
Centre Marine Department - Congo	2 980	2 900	2 810		8 690 €
<i>Total</i>	<b>5 960</b>	<b>5 800</b>	<b>5 620</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>17 380 €</b>

  

<b><i>Total outstanding contributions</i></b>	<b>64 020 €</b>	<b>62 220 €</b>	<b>56 845 €</b>	<b>15 006 €</b>	<b>198 091 €</b>
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All these members are now in a position to be taken out of the list of IALA members for non-payment of their dues, as per IALA membership policy.

The decision to suspend or terminate membership for non-payment will be examined at the section 15 of the agenda.

But for the three national members in difficulty, in order to avoid a definitive suspension or a termination of membership before the next Conference in 2018, is it envisaged that the IALA Secretary-General has a discussion with the head of each member at the occasion of the next IMO Council or at the next IALA Diplomatic Conference to be held in Morocco in February 2018. If these actions do not result in a payment, the next Council in 2018 will be asked to confirm the termination of their membership.

Concerning the four Industrial and Associate members, further actions are on-going. A payment before the next Council is expected to avoid the definitive termination of their membership.

### **3. THE COUNCIL IS REQUESTED TO**

**Note** the status of membership contributions.