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RESOLUTIONS ON THE RESPECTIVE CONTRIBUTIONS OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC, HUNGARY, POLAND AND THE SLOVAK REPUBLIC

On the recommendation of the Committee of Council following its meetings held on 29 September 1994 and 15 December 1994, Council is invited to adopt the attached Resolutions concerning the transition contribution arrangements for the Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland and the Slovak Republic.

According to Article VII.1 (b) (ii) of the Convention, the decision is to be taken by a two-thirds majority of all the Member States.

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At the time of their admission to CERN membership, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland and the Slovak Republic were individually granted by Council a transition arrangement including in particular an annual reduced contribution to the CERN Budget. It was also decided to examine in the course of 1994 the exact rate of increase of the contribution of each country.

At its Two-hundred-and-sixteenth Meeting, on 29 September 1994, the Committee of Council discussed a paper (CERN/CC/2061) concerning the contributions of these Member States. The principles outlined in document CERN/CC/2061 were accepted: contributions to reach their full values in 2002; a linear rise to 100% from a common baseline, which should be reached as early as is reasonably possible; savings, resulting from a reduction relative to the figures envisaged at the times of admission, to be invested in the strengthening of the domestic particle physics infrastructures in the countries concerned. However, at the September meeting of the Committee of Council the Delegations of these Member States mentioned the difficulties that too fast a progression of their contributions could cause them.

Taking these facts into consideration, the Committee of Council agreed that for each of these Member States, a baseline of 40% should be reached in 1998, rather than in 1997 as proposed in CERN/CC/2061, and confirmed that each transition arrangement should end in the year 2002 with the full rate of contribution.

As was remarked during the discussion of the Committee of Council on 29 September 1994, the proposal put forward then, on the basis of the views expressed in June 1994, represented a total reduction of some 20 MCHF relative to the level of contributions envisaged when these countries became Member States of CERN. The proposals presented here would provide a further reduction of some 10 MCHF, so that the global loss to the CERN Budget over the period 1995-2002, compared to the situation initially envisaged (second table on page 5 of CERN/CC/2061), is of the order of 30 MCHF. The reductions correspond to a saving of some 130-150% of a full year's contribution for each of the countries concerned.

This document complements and amends CERN/CC/2061.

Council has to approve the transition contribution arrangements for each of the Member States concerned. To that end, four Draft Resolutions concerning the transition contribution arrangements for the Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland and the Slovak Republic are submitted herewith

Council is invited, on the recommendation of the Committee of Council, to adopt these Draft Resolutions. According to Article VII.1 (b) (ii) of the Convention, the decision is to be taken by a two-thirds majority of all the Member States.

RESOLUTION ON THE CONTRIBUTION OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC

THE COUNCIL,

CONSIDERING

That the Czech Republic, as a successor to the Czech and Slovak Republic, was granted transition arrangements in the form of a reduced annual contribution to the CERN Budget when it was admitted to membership of CERN on 25 June 1993 (CERN/1982), and that these arrangements were scheduled to end in the year 2000 with the full rate of contribution;

The intention expressed in 1993 to examine in the course of the year 1994 the exact rate of increase of its contributions to the CERN Budget and the discussion on this question (CERN/CC/2061) in the Committee of Council at its meeting held on 29 September 1994;

The recommendation of the Committee of Council at its meeting held on 15 December 1994;

Article VII.1 (b) (ii) of the CERN Convention;

DECIDES

1. That for the years 1996 to 2002, the Czech Republic's annual contributions to the CERN Budget will rise according to the following progression, with 100% subsequently:

1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
26%	33%	40%	55%	70%	85%	100%.

2. That the Czech Republic should use the additional savings resulting from the extension of the transition period to strengthen its domestic infrastructure in high-energy physics.

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