

**DRAFT COUNCIL RESOLUTION
ON AN ADDITIONAL DOUBLE MAJORITY PROCEDURE
FOR THE FINANCE COMMITTEE**

THE COUNCIL,

CONSIDERING:

The necessity for the Organization to have a satisfactory support from its Member States for decisions which have a financial impact;

Its Resolution CERN/2074/Final concerning a double majority procedure for certain Finance Committee recommendations to the Council as revised by the latter in accordance with document CERN/2335;

The prospective increase in the Organization's membership and its impact on the functioning of the Organization and in particular on the decision-making process in the Council and its Committees;

The recommendation of the Committee of Council to the Council to extend the double majority procedure in a modified form to other decisions by the Finance Committee, as expressed in document CERN/CC/2412;

The CERN basic Convention, in particular its Article V;

Article 3.2 of the Financial Protocol and Article X.3 of the CERN Convention;

CONSIDERING ALSO:

That while the Committee of Council and the Council are in principle not bound to follow recommendations by the Finance Committee, in practice they have not taken decisions contradicting such recommendations and that it is desirable that this practice continue;

DECIDES THAT

1. As a supplement to the double-majority procedure already introduced by the Council for recommendations relating to the Bannier procedure (Medium Term Plan), the annual budget and the overall CVI in accordance with documents CERN/2074/Final and CERN/2335, all other recommendations and decisions of the Finance Committee, excluding decisions on award-of-contract proposals and the individual components of the overall cost-variation index, shall require, in addition to the applicable formal majorities laid down by the Convention and by the internal Rules of the Organization, a majority of 51% of the annual financial contributions of all the Member States, according to the scale of contributions in force.
2. For the purposes of calculating the financial majority under this procedure, any reduction in, or outstanding unpaid fraction from previous years of, a Member State's contribution shall be reflected in the percentage weight of that Member State's contribution.
3. This procedure shall apply from the date of its approval until the construction of the Large Hadron Collider is completed. Before the end of a period of three years starting from this date and in parallel with the review foreseen in Council Resolution CERN/2074/Final, the Council shall conduct a review of the operation of this procedure and decide whether it should be modified.