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ORGANISATION EUROPÉENNE POUR LA RECHERCHE NUCLÉAIRE CERN EUROPEAN ORGANIZATION FOR NUCLEAR RESEARCH

Action to be taken Voting Procedure

For recommendation	FINANCE COMMITTEE 390 th Meeting 20 March 2024	Two-thirds majority of all Member States + at least 51% of the contributions of all Member States	
For decision	CLOSED COUNCIL 216 th Session 22 March 2024	Two-thirds majority of all Member States	

THE FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION OF UKRAINE TO CERN FOR 2024

The Finance Committee is invited to recommend for adoption, and the Council is invited to adopt the draft Resolution set out in Annex 1 hereto, thereby waiving the financial contribution of Ukraine to CERN for 2024.

ANNEX 1

COUNCIL RESOLUTION ON THE FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION OF UKRAINE TO CERN FOR 2024

THE COUNCIL,

RECALLING

The Convention for the Establishment of a European Organization for Nuclear Research (CERN), which was signed on 1 July 1953, entered into force on 29 September 1954 and was amended on 17 January 1971;

That, following Resolution CERN/3082/RA adopted by the Council on 19 September 2013, by virtue of which Ukraine was admitted as an Associate Member State, and the entry into force on 5 October 2016 of the Agreement between CERN and Ukraine concerning the granting of the status of Associate Member at CERN ("the Agreement"), Ukraine became an Associate Member State of the Organization;

That Ukraine contributes to the funding of the Organization's activities pursuant to Article III.1 of the Agreement;

That the financial contribution of Ukraine to CERN for 2024 amounts to 1.0456 MCHF to be paid in two instalments;

The Council Resolutions dated 8 March 2022 (CERN/3626) and 25 March 2022 (CERN/3637/Corr), in which, *inter alia*, the Council condemned the military invasion of Ukraine by the Russian Federation with the involvement of the Republic of Belarus;

The Council Resolution dated 16 June 2022 (CERN/3661), in which the Council agreed to Ukraine's request to reduce its contribution for 2022 to the amount already remitted to the Organization in view of the "significant humanitarian and financial impact of the military invasion of Ukraine", thereby waiving the second instalment of its contribution for 2022, and further decided to cover the resulting shortfall of 500 000 CHF by increasing the contributions of the Member States for 2022 in proportion to their share of the CERN Budget;

The Council Resolution dated 24 March 2023 (CERN/3723), in which the Council agreed to Ukraine's request to waive its contribution for 2023 in its entirety considering "the sustained humanitarian and economic impact of the invasion of Ukraine by the Russian Federation, with the involvement of Belarus", and further decided to cover the resulting shortfall of 1 MCHF by increasing the contributions of the Member States for 2023 in proportion to their share of the CERN Budget;

CONSIDERING

That, following the sustained humanitarian and economic impact of the invasion of Ukraine by the Russian Federation, with the involvement of Belarus, Ukraine requested, by letter sent to CERN on 12 February 2024 from its Minister of Education and Science, CERN to "consider the possibility of the continuation of a waiver or the reduction of Ukraine's contribution to CERN for the Financial Year 2024";

DECIDES

To waive the Ukrainian contribution to CERN for 2024 in its entirety;

That the Member States will cover the resulting shortfall by increasing their 2024 contributions in proportion to their share of the CERN Budget;

AND FURTHER DECIDES

To continue monitoring the situation in Ukraine with a view to ensuring the full implementation of the Agreement as soon as possible.