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Decisions on budgetary matters of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea for 2003*

1. The Meeting of States Parties approves the budget of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea for 2003, amounting to US\$ 7,798,300, as set out in annex I to the present document, together with the staffing table for the Registry of the Tribunal in 2003, as contained in annexes II and III.
2. With a view to providing the Tribunal with the necessary financial means to consider cases in 2003, in particular those requiring expeditious proceedings, the Meeting approves an amount of \$987,900 in 2003 as contingency funds of the Tribunal. The contingency funds shall only be used in the event of cases being submitted to the Tribunal.
3. Without prejudice to the application of the provisions of article 19 of annex VI to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea in respect of future budgets of the Tribunal regarding the contribution to be made by the International Seabed Authority, the budget of the Tribunal for 2003, including its contingency funds in 2003, amounting to \$987,900, will be financed by all States and international organizations that are parties to the Convention.
4. The contributions to be made by States Parties shall be based upon the scale of assessments for the regular budget of the United Nations for the preceding financial year, adjusted to take account of participation in the Convention. The Meeting of States Parties decides that a floor rate of 0.01 per cent and a ceiling rate of 25 per cent would be used in establishing the rate of assessment for States Parties for the budget of the Tribunal for 2003. The Meeting agrees, however, that there should be further discussion of the rate at the thirteenth Meeting of States Parties with regard to future years.

* The decisions are adopted without prejudice to the Financial Regulations of the Tribunal to be adopted by the Meeting of States Parties.

Annex I

**Administrative expenses of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea
covering the period from 1 January to 31 December 2003**

(in United States dollars)

Annex II

Professional staff of the Registry of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea in 2003

<i>Level</i>	<i>Function</i>	<i>Number of posts</i>	<i>Standard costs (United States dollars)</i>
ASG	Registrar	1	149 039
D-2	Deputy Registrar	1	132 864
P-5	Chief of Administration	1	108 086
P-5	Head of Conference and Linguistic Services	1	108 086
P-4	Librarian	1	89 293
P-4	Head of Budget and Finance	1	89 293
P-4	Translator/Reviser	1	89 293
P-4	Legal Officer	2	178 585
P-3	Legal Officer/Information	1	69 751
P-3	Systems Administrator/Database Manager	1	69 751
P-3	Translator/Reviser	1	69 751
P-2	Contributions Officer/Budget	1	60 214
P-2	Associate Legal Officer/Research	1	60 214
P-2	Administrative Officer (Support/Building Management)	1	60 214
P-2	Archivist ^a	1	32 200
Total		16	1 366 600

^a New post; budgeted at 50 per cent according to United Nations standard salary costs.

Annex III

General Service staff of the Registry of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea in 2003

<i>Level</i>	<i>Function</i>	<i>Number of posts</i>	<i>Standard costs (United States dollars)</i>
Principal level			
	Administrative Assistant (Contributions and Accounts)	1	51 260
	Computer Systems Assistant	1	51 260
	Personal Assistant to the President	1	51 260
	Personal Assistant to the Registrar	1	51 260
	Administrative Assistant (General Administration)	1	51 260
	Administrative/Building Coordinator	1	51 260
Other levels			
	Personnel Assistant	1	38 372
	Finance Assistant (Accounts Payable/Payroll)	1	38 372
	Senior Security Officer	1	38 372
	Information/Documentation Assistant	1	38 372
	Conference Services Assistant	1	38 372
	Secretary to Deputy Registrar	1	38 372
	Judiciary Support (Conference Typing Assistant)	2	76 745
	Pension/Tax/Social Security/Distribution Assistant	1	38 372
	Linguistic/Conference Secretary	2	76 745
	Security Officer/Driver	1	38 372
	Library/Documents Assistant	1	38 372
	Caretaker/Building Superintendent	1	38 372
	Receptionist	1	38 372
	Total	21	883 100