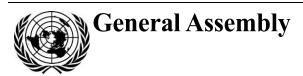
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Letter dated 24 January 2019 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the General Assembly

1. At present, eight Member States are in arrears under the terms of Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations, which states:

A Member of the United Nations which is in arrears in the payment of its financial contributions to the Organization shall have no vote in the General Assembly if the amount of its arrears equals or exceeds the amount of the contributions due from it for the preceding two full years. The General Assembly may, nevertheless, permit such a Member to vote if it is satisfied that the failure to pay is due to conditions beyond the control of the Member.

2. The minimum payments necessary to reduce the amounts owed by those Member States on their contributions so that they remain below the gross amount assessed for the preceding two full years (2017 and 2018) are as follows:

Member State	Minimum payment (United States dollars)
Bolivia (Plurinational State of)	121 453
Comoros ^a	884 810
Gabon	592 049
Libya	7 082 423
Palau	10 279
Sao Tome and Principe ^a	799 830
Somalia ^a	1 424 629
Viet Nam	481 876

^a In its resolution 73/4, the General Assembly decided that the Comoros, Sao Tome and Principe and Somalia would be permitted to vote in the Assembly until the end of its seventy-third session.

(Signed) António Guterres



