

CIRCULAR COMMUNICATION TO COMMISSIONERS  
AND CONTRACTING GOVERNMENTS  
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**Unpaid Financial Contributions: Suspension of Rights to receive Documents and to Vote**

The Commission's Financial Regulations state that:

F2. If a Contracting Government's annual payments, including any interest due, have not been received by the Commission within 3 months of the due date, the Secretary shall not make available any Commission documentation, excluding individual correspondence, to the Contracting Government concerned, such documentation to be reserved for provision at such time as the amount in arrears, including interest, is settled in full.

F3. If a Contracting Government's annual payments, including any interest due, have not been received by the Commission within 3 months of the due date, the right to vote of the Contracting Government concerned shall be suspended as provided under Rule E.2 of the Rules of Procedure.

The due date in respect of the current financial year was 28 February. The following Contracting Governments have failed to pay the full amounts of contributions and interest due to the Commission within 3 months of that date. Therefore, they have been informed that their rights to receive documentation, excluding individual correspondence, and to vote have been suspended with effect from **1 June 2001**.

Dominica  
India  
Russian Federation  
St. Vincent and the Grenadines.

These penalties continue from previous years for the Governments of:

Costa Rica  
Kenya  
Peru  
Senegal.

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