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Unpaid Financial Contributions : Suspension of the Right to Vote - Romania

Financial Regulation F.2. provides that:

‘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 or by the day before the first day of the next Annual or Special Meeting of the Commission following the due date, or in the case of a vote by postal or other means, by the date upon which votes must be received, whichever date occurs first, the right to vote of the Contracting Government concerned shall be suspended as provided under Rule E.2 of the Rules of Procedure.’

Romania adhered to the Convention on 9 April 2008. The ‘due date’ for payment of its financial contribution for the year 2007/2008 was 9 October 2008 (i.e. 6 months after the date of adherence). As the Romanian Government has not paid its contributions and the interest due within three months of that date its right to vote is suspended with effect from 9 January 2009.

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