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Our ref.: REM/FCB GENEVA, 22 September 2015

Sir/Madam,

I have the honour to refer to my letter ref.: REM/FCB dated 24 July 2015, in which I invited your attention to arrangements for the financing of the World Meteorological Organization during the seventeenth financial period (2016-2019). It has subsequently come to my attention that the information included in my letter inadvertently omitted an important part of the explanation of the assessment for the year 2016: that the calculation is in accordance with Financial Regulation 8.2, which stipulates that:

For each of the two years of a biennium the contributions of Member States shall be assessed on the basis of one half of the appropriations approved by the Executive Council for the biennium ...

Accordingly, the amount due from your Government for 2016, which was shown on the invoice attached to my letter referred to above, is based on the application of the scale of assessment for 2016 approved by Seventeenth Congress to one half of the appropriations of CHF 136,557,400 approved by the Executive Council for the biennium 2016-2017, i.e. the rate of assessment for your Government applied to CHF 68,278,700 (one half of the approved appropriations for the biennium 2016-2017). The assessment is not based on the approved budget of CHF 71,405,700 for 2016.

I conclude by drawing your attention to an important implication of the method used: that the assessment for 2017 will be the same as the one for 2016.

A copy of this letter is being sent to the Permanent Representative of your country with the Organization and to the Permanent Mission of your country in Geneva (if established).

Accept, Sir/Madam, the assurances of my highest consideration.

(M. Jarraud) Secretary-General

To: Ministers of Foreign Affairs of Member States of the World Meteorological Organization (WMO-1424)