

EUROPEAN ORGANISATION FOR THE SAFETY OF AIR NAVIGATION

EUROCONTROL

- Measures of the Permanent Commission -

MEASURE No. 20/253

concerning the cancellation of the payment of Member States' contributions relating to the Projected Benefit Obligation (PBO) due in the last two quarters of the year 2020 and the amended Agency's 2020 Budget

THE PERMANENT COMMISSION FOR THE SAFETY OF AIR NAVIGATION:

Having regard to the EUROCONTROL International Convention relating to Co-operation for the Safety of Air Navigation, amended by the Protocol signed at Brussels on 12 February 1981, and in particular Articles 6.1(b) and 7.3 thereof, as well as Article 17 of its Annex 1;

Whereas the Permanent Commission took on 28 November 2019 the Measure No 19/245 which, inter alia, approved the Agency's 2020 budget in a total amount of EUR 916,329,000, authorised the Director General to call Member States' Contribution of EUR 40,160,000 to reconstitute the PBO and fixed at EUR 42,766,000 the maximum amount the Agency may borrow to finance the 2020 Budget obligations;

Whereas the Permanent Commission amended on 13 April 2020 the maximum amount the Agency may borrow and authorised the Director General to seek an additional loan facility for a maximum amount of EUR 1.270 million to finance the COVID-19 Financial relief Package in order to provide optional financial liquidity to States (and their ANSPs);

Whereas, in order to address the devastating financial effects of the unprecedented pandemic situation of COVID-19 and provide short-term financial relief to the Member States for the year 2020 and first half of the year 2021, the Agency proposed the postponement of the payment of Member States' contributions relating to the PBO due in the third and fourth quarters of the year 2020 and the first and second quarters of the year 2021;

Whereas the Agency also proposed the postponement of the payment of Member States' contributions due in the third and fourth quarters of the year 2020 and the first and second quarters of the year 2021, relating to the Employer's contribution to the Pension Fund;

Whereas the Provisional Council, at its 53rd Session on 18 June 2020, supported those proposals in principle;

Whereas the postponement will technically translate into a cancellation for 12 months;

Whereas the proposal concerning the cancellation of the payment of Member States' contributions relating to the Employer's contribution to the Pension Fund has been submitted to the Permanent Commission for approval by correspondence on 2 July 2020;

Whereas such cancellations will be appropriately reflected in the next actuarial study of the Pension Fund and in the Agency's 2021 Budget;

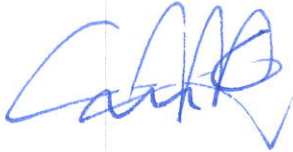
On the proposal of the Director General and the Provisional Council,

TAKES THE FOLLOWING MEASURE:

- 4- The authorisation granted to the Director General to call Member States' Contributions of EUR 40,160,000 for the budgetary year 2020 to reconstitute the PBO is hereby amended. This amount of the Member States' Contribution is set at EUR 20,080,000.

2. Subject to the approval by the Permanent Commission of the Decision submitted for approval by correspondence (App./PC/20-12), the payment of Member States' contributions relating to the Employer's contribution to the Pension Fund, due in the third and fourth quarters of the year 2020 is cancelled. This cancellation amounts to EUR 18,000,000 for the year 2020 and the budget for the year 2020 is reduced accordingly.¹

Done at Brussels on 14.8.2020



Gytis Mažeika
President of the Permanent Commission

¹ Following App./PC/20-12 dated 2.7.2020 (corrected by App./PC/20-12-ERR), the draft Decision (Annex 1 of the proposal) was not approved by the Permanent Commission