SADIS COST RECOVERY ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (SCRAG)

TWENTIETH MEETING

(Gatwick, UK, 27th November 2019)

Agenda Item 5: Review of the status of SADIS payments for the current year (2019) invoices

STATUS OF PAYMENTS FOR THE CURRENT YEAR (2019)

(Presented by the United Kingdom)

REFERENCES

SCRAG Agreement Conclusion 14/5 formulated at the SCRAG/14 meeting

1. Introduction

1.1 The group will recall Conclusion 14/5 formulated at the SCRAG/14 meeting¹ in which it was agreed that the group would formally review the status of payments for the *current* year at each SCRAG meeting. Whilst the current year's calculations are not strictly relevant to the calculation of the following year's assessment, it is important to identify those States who have not yet paid their invoices and to consider appropriate follow up actions.

1.2 As such, this Working Paper apprises the group of the status of payments in relation to invoices applicable to the current year (2019) and as issued in January 2019.

¹ 25 October; 2013, Paris, France

2 DISCUSSION

2.1 Invoices below 10 GBP

At SCRAG 19 the administrative cost of billing States for small amounts was reviewed, and it was proposed to limit invoicing to outstanding balances that surpass GBP 30 (Conclusion 19/6).
As such, two States (Eswastini and Slovakia) were notified by letter that their 2019 share of the SADIS costs would be amalgamated their invoice for the following year(s). Congo and Montenegro also had small outstanding balances, but these invoices are paid in conjunction with at least one other invoice, and Ghana's was amalgamated with some outstanding invoices from previous years.

2.2 Late payment of invoices

- 2.2.1 The SADIS Provider believes it is important that States be encouraged to pay their invoices promptly. Whilst the SADIS Agreement strictly requires payment within 1 month of the date of the Invoice (Article XII, section 3), action to terminate the service to a State can only be taken at the end of that calendar year (Article XIII).
- 2.2.2 Prompt payment reduces the administrative resource necessary to recover outstanding amounts.
- 2.2.3 It is also to the benefit of the SADIS Community (which funds the SADIS service), that States who cannot (or will not) pay their SADIS invoices have their service terminated in accordance with the SADIS Agreement. Those who pay for the service should not be expected to pay more to cover the costs of those States who fail to pay.
- 2.2.4 The status of SADIS payment in relation to the 2018 SADIS invoices, as at 25 October 2019, is provided in the Appendix.

3 Conclusion

3.1 With regard to the status of payments for the current year (2019 invoices), following review the group may wish to agree that those States who continue to have outstanding payments as at 1200 UTC on 22^{nd} January 2020 should have their access to SADIS services withdrawn without further notice. As such, the group is invited to formulate the following draft conclusion;

Draft Conclusion 20/xx - Scheduled Termination of Access to SADIS for those States that have payments outstanding.

That,

The SADIS Provider be invited to withdraw access to SADIS FTP for those States who, as at 1200 UTC on 22nd January 2020, have cumulative outstanding payments over GBP100.00 due for any invoice dated 2019 or earlier.

Note 1: - The SADIS Provider will continue to make all efforts to contact and remind the States of their outstanding payments,

but where contact details are no longer valid, a response from the State is not necessary prior to withdrawal of access.

4. ACTION BY THE GROUP

4.1 The group is invited to;

a) note the information in this paper, and

b) decide on the draft Conclusion proposed for the group's consideration.

APPENDIX

The table below identifies the status of payments for the current (2019 Invoices). This is for review by the SCRAG in order to determine if and when the service to a State should be withdrawn should payments remain outstanding.

It is correct as at 1200 UTC on 25 October 2019. The table does not record debts/credits for years prior to 2018.

STATES	Total amount billed for 2019 (SCRAG/19 Report, Appendix I)	Amount collected (or refunded if in credit) as at 25 October 2019	Unpaid amount (or remaining credit) as at 25 October 2019	Notes
Albania	- 6.75		- 6.75	
Algeria	505.15	505.15	0	
Armenia	0		0	
Australia	15 288.78	15 288.78	0	
Austria	2 667.79	2 667.79	0	
Azerbaijan	2 282.05	2 282.05	0	
Bahrain	2 238.12		2 238.12	
Belgium	4 176.63	4 176.63	0	
Bosnia and Herzegovina	0		0	
Botswana	- 10.73		- 10.73	
Bulgaria	148.77	148.77	0	
Cabo Verde	-26.13		-26.13	
Cameroon	- 0.54		- 0.54	
China: - Beijing	111 994.66		111 994.66	Payment expected in December 2019
- Hong Kong	23 554.51	23 554.51	0	
- Macau	494.08	494.08	0	
Congo	13.86	13.86	0	
Côte d'Ivoire	82.29	82.29	0	
Croatia	147.49	147.49	0	
Cyprus	0	0	0	
Czechia	206.58	206.58	0	
Denmark	- 55.85		- 55.85	
Egypt	3 069.85		3 069.85	
Equatorial Guinea	38.24	38.24	0	
Estonia	- 67.80		- 67.80	
Eswatini	1.53		1.53	Not invoiced as under 10 GBP
Finland	4 362.20	4 362.20	0	

STATES	Total amount billed for 2019 (SCRAG/19 Report, Appendix I)	Amount collected (or refunded if in credit) as at 25 October 2019	Unpaid amount (or remaining credit) as at 25 October 2019	Notes
France	20 207.82	20 207.82	0	
Gabon	- 0.67	- 0.67	0	
Georgia	0	0	0	
Germany	25 727.31	25 727.31	0	
Ghana	10.60	10.60	0	
Greece	966.31	966.31	0	
Hungary	3 400.12	3 400.12	0	
Iceland	3 150.50	3 150.50	0	
India	21 608.81	21 608.81	0	
Indonesia	13 756.41	13 756.41	0	
Iraq	453.27		453.27	
Ireland	19 403.71	19 403.71	0	
Israel	2 455.86	2 455.86	0	
Italy	7 349.83	7 349.83	0	
Jordan	917.14	934.30	-17.16	An overpayment was made
Kazakhstan	1 021.65	1 021.65	0	
Kenya	1 130.46		1 130.46	
Kuwait	539.84		539.84	
Latvia	447.33	447.33	0	
Libya	- 474.70		- 474.70	
Lithuania	174.61	174.61	0	
Maldives	187.93	187.93	0	
Malta	155.15	155.15	0	
Mauritius	1 225.75	1 225.75	0	
Montenegro	28.76	28.76	0	
Morocco	2 035.27	2 035.27	0	
Namibia	74.82		74.82	
Netherlands	16 263.52	16 263.52	0	
Nigeria	193.27	193.27	0	
North Macedonia	31.65	31.65	0	
Norway	7 539.94	7 539.94	0	
Oman	2 956.15	2 956.15	0	
Pakistan	2 916.18	2 916.18	0	

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Poland	2 004.65	2 004.65	0	
Portugal	4 279.58	4 279.58	0	
Qatar	32 311.97	32 311.97	0	
Republic of Moldova	187.02	187.02	0	
Romania	525.51	525.51	0	
Russian Federation	25 190.54	25 190.54	0	
Saudi Arabia	7 406.21	7 406.21	0	
Senegal	- 28.62	- 28.62	0	
Serbia	337.00	337.00	0	
Seychelles	212.94	212.94	0	
Slovakia	0.45		0.45	Not invoiced as under 10 GBP
Slovenia	80.95	80.95	0	
South Africa	3 581.75	3 581.75	0	
Spain	9 261.70	9 261.70	0	
Sweden	415.26	415.26	0	
Switzerland	7 164.86	7 164.86	0	
Thailand	14 448.19	14 448.19	0	
Tunisia	705.39	705.39	0	
Turkey	23 371.98	23 371.98	0	
Ukraine	1 475.65	1 475.65	0	
United Arab Emirates	51 206.39	51 206.39	0	
United Kingdom	33 495.69	33 495.69	0	
Viet Nam	6 716.42	6 716.42	0	
Zimbabwe	- 99.66		- 99.66	
TOTAL	551 211.00	433.409.31	117 801.69	

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