

laid down in paragraph 1, the Contracting States shall remit to the Organisation special financial contributions, the amount of which shall be determined by the Administrative Council for the accounting period in question.

(3) These special financial contributions shall be determined in respect of any Contracting State on the basis of the number of patent applications filed in the last year but one prior to that of entry into force of this Convention, and calculated in the following manner:

- (a) one half in proportion to the number of patent applications filed in that Contracting State;
- (b) one half in proportion to the second highest number of patent applications filed in the other Contracting States by natural or legal persons having their residence or principal place of business in that Contracting State.

However, the amounts to be contributed by States in which the number of patent applications filed exceeds 25,000 shall then be taken as a whole and a new scale drawn up determined in proportion to the total number of patent applications filed in these States.

(4) Where, in respect of any Contracting State, its scale position cannot be established in accordance with paragraph 3, the Administrative Council shall, with the consent of that State, decide its scale position.

(5) Article 39, paragraphs 3 and 4, shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to the special financial contributions.

(6) The special financial contributions shall be repaid together with interest at a rate which shall be the same for all Contracting States. Repayments shall be made in so far as it is possible to provide for this purpose in the budget; the amount thus provided shall be distributed among the Contracting States in accordance with the scale mentioned in paragraphs 3 and 4 above.

(7) The special financial contributions remitted in any accounting period shall be

under de i stk. 1 fastsatte betingelser, indbetaler de kontraherende stater til Organisationen særlige finansielle ydelser, hvis størrelse fastsættes af Administrationsrådet for det pågældende regnskabsår.

3) De særlige finansielle ydelser fastsættes for hver kontraherende stat på grundlag af antallet af patentansøgninger indleveret i det næstsidste år forud for denne konventions ikrafttræden og beregnes efter følgende fordelingsnøgle:

- a) halvdelen i forhold til antallet af de i den pågældende kontraherende stat indleverede patentansøgninger;
- b) halvdelen i forhold til det næsthøjeste antal patentansøgninger, som af fysiske eller juridiske personer med bopæl eller sæde i den pågældende kontraherende stat er indleveret i de øvrige kontraherende stater.

De beløb, som skal ydes af stater, i hvilke der er indleveret mere end 25.000 patentansøgninger, tages dog under ét og fordeles påny i forhold til det samlede antal i de pågældende stater indleverede patentansøgninger.

4) Kan det beløb, der skal ydes af en kontraherende stat, ikke fastsættes i henhold til stk. 3, fastsættes det af Administrationsrådet med den pågældende stats samtykke.

5) Artikel 39, stk. 3 og 4, finder tilsvarende anvendelse på de særlige finansielle ydelser.

6) De særlige finansielle ydelser tilbagebetales med renter i henhold til en rentesats, der er den samme for alle kontraherende stater. Tilbagebetalinger finder sted i det omfang, der kan reserveres midler hertil i budgettet; det således reserverede beløb fordeles blandt de kontraherende stater i overensstemmelse med den i stk. 3 og 4 omhandlede fordelingsnøgle.

7) De i et regnskabsår indbetalte særlige finansielle ydelser skal være tilbagebetalt