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The present document provides information on the status of arrears as at 30 June 2013 with respect to the payment of principal, interest and service charges due under the regular programme and the Special Programme for sub-Saharan African Countries Affected by Drought and Desertification (SPA).

Table 1
Year-on-year comparison of arrears by region, 2012-2013
 (As at 30 June 2013)

<i>Region</i>	<i>Number of loans</i>	<i>Principal loan repayments (Thousands of US dollars)</i>	<i>Interest and service charges (Thousands of US dollars)</i>	<i>Total arrears (Thousands of US dollars)</i>	<i>Percentage</i>
Asia and the Pacific					
As at 30 June 2012	3	5 538	535	6 073	12
As at 30 June 2013	3	6 804	849	7 653	14
Note: Total number of loans remained stable while total arrears increased by US\$1.6 million due to further arrears of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.					
East and Southern Africa					
As at 30 June 2012	5	14 613	6 307	20 920	42
As at 30 June 2013	6	15 565	6 918	22 483	40
Note: Overall total number of loans increased from 5 to 6 and total arrears increased by US\$1.6 million. Most of the increase related to Zimbabwe (US\$1.0 million) while other arrears of US\$0.6 million were cleared in July.					
Near East, North Africa and Europe					
As at 30 June 2012	4	15 847	5 357	21 204	43
As at 30 June 2013	12	17 902	5 727	23 629	42
Note: Overall total number of loans increased from 4 to 12 and total arrears also increased by US\$2.4 million. Arrears further increased for Somalia by US\$1.0 million and the Syrian Arab Republic by US\$1.3 million. A borrower cleared its arrears of US\$0.1 million in July. Funds for the Syrian Arab Republic have been transferred as at 16 July to an intermediary organization and are in the process of reaching IFAD.					
West and Central Africa					
As at 30 June 2012	12	1 360	224	1 584	3
As at 30 June 2013	13	1 733	352	2 085	4
Note: Overall total number of loans increased from 12 to 13 and total arrears increased by US\$0.5 million, mainly due to the clearing of arrears by one borrower in July.					
Latin American and the Caribbean					
As at 30 June 2012	1	110	7	117	0.2
As at 30 June 2013	1	107	4	111	0.2
Note: One borrower cleared the entire amount in July.					
TOTAL FOR ALL REGIONS					
As at 30 June 2012	25	37 468	12 430	49 898	100
As at 30 June 2013	35	42 111	13 850	55 961	100
Note: Overall total number of loans increased from 25 to 35 and total debt also increased by US\$6.0 million.					

Table 2

Summary of borrowers with arrears exceeding 75 days as at 30 June 2013*(These countries account for 63 per cent of total arrears due to IFAD)*

<i>Borrower</i>	<i>Number of days overdue</i>	<i>Principal (Thousands of US dollars)</i>	<i>Interest and service charges (Thousands of US dollars)</i>	<i>Total arrears (Thousands of US dollars)</i>	<i>Status</i>
Democratic People's Republic of Korea ^a	960	6 804	849	7 653	Suspended
Equatorial Guinea	136	28	0	28	Suspended
Somalia	8 130	16 609	5 617	22 226	Suspended
Syrian Arab Republic ^b	120	1 192	87	1 279	Arrears clearing in July
Zimbabwe ^c	4 230	14 971	6 901	21 872	Suspended
Total		39 604	13 454	53 058	

^a Borrower seeking actively to find a channel to repay debt.^b Funds have been transferred as at 16 July to an intermediary organization and are in the process of reaching IFAD.^c Borrower for which debt settlement plan is being discussed.