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STATISTICS OF THE CENTRALLY PLANNED ECONOMIES

Poland

The following communications have been addressed to the Chairman of the Committee on Contributions by the Permanent Representative of Poland to the United Nations:

19 May 1961

"In connexion with the desire expressed by the members of the Committee on Contributions to receive official data concerning the discrepancies resulting from the conceptual differences between the definition governing the estimates of national income in Poland and the corresponding United Nations definition, I have the honour to transmit to you the following information:

"According to a preliminary comparison of the available budgetary and economic materials it is estimated that the percentage discrepancy in the Polish national income does in no way exceed 7 per cent. The urgency to gather the necessary information and the lack of adequate statistics available to this Mission made it impossible to give a detailed calculation. I wish to assure you however, that we will do our best to get more detailed data in support of the estimate given above and shall promptly transmit it to Your Excellency.

"I am also enclosing herewith [see Annex] the official data concerning the national income in Poland as calculated with the 7 per cent increase."

22 May 1961

"In reply to your letter dated 19 May 1961 and in addition to the information presented to you in my letter No. SF/BUD/9/61 of the same date, I have the honour to transmit to you the following additional information:

"1. The following are the percentages of working population engaged in agriculture in Poland:

1950 - 47.1 per cent  
1960 - 38.2 per cent

"This Mission does not possess separate figures for 1958.

"2. In 1958 the percentage of net material product (at 1958 prices) originating in Polish agriculture was 28 per cent.

"Please accept, etc.

(Signed) Bohdan Lewandowski  
Ambassador"

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ANNEX

POLAND

(National income)

	1957	1958	1959	Average 1957-1959
National income (thousand million zlotys)	224.4	239.5	252.2	238.7
Exchange rate (zlotys per US dollar)	24	24	24	
National income (million dollars)	9350	9979.16	10508.33	9945.83 (10642.04)*
Population (thousand)		28,783		
Per capita income (dollars)				345.54 (369.73)*

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\* The figures in brackets were raised by 7 per cent in order to bring them closer to the concept of national income according to United Nations definitions. The 7 per cent are taking into account the omission of certain services in the concept of net material product.