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Report of the Secretary-General

Summary

The present report contains the financial performance report of the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi for the period from 1 July 1996 to 30 June 1997. In its resolution 52/1 of 15 October 1997, the General Assembly took note of the budget proposed by the Secretary-General and recommended by the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions for the maintenance of the Logistics Base for the period from 1 July 1996 to 30 June 1997, amounting to \$7,875,000 gross (\$7,375,200 net).

Resources amounting to \$7,374,800 were provided on an ad hoc basis from the appropriations approved by the General Assembly for current peacekeeping operations for the same period. These amounts are reflected in the respective performance reports.

The expenditures for the period totalled \$5,349,000, resulting in an unencumbered balance of \$2,025,800. The unencumbered balance resulted primarily from premises, transport operations, and miscellaneous supplies and services, and was partially offset by additional requirements for other equipment.

The action to be taken by the General Assembly in connection with the financing of the Logistics Base is a decision to apply the unencumbered balance of \$2,025,800 to the resources required for the period from 1 July 1998 to 30 June 1999.

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I. Introduction

1. The budget for the maintenance of the United Nations Logistics Base for the period from 1 July 1996 to 30 June 1997 was set out in the report of the Secretary-General dated 1 April 1996 (A/50/907) and amounted to \$7,875,000 gross (\$7,375,200 net). It provided for a civilian establishment of 16 international staff (eight Professional, five Field Service and three General Service) and 17 locally recruited staff. It also provided for spare parts for various types of equipment, contractual services covering the refurbishment of vehicles and other equipment, the preparation and loading of equipment for shipment to other missions, as well as for maintenance of premises and transport, logistics and electronic support for the Base. The Secretary-General proposed that the expenditures for the period be charged to the budget of current peacekeeping operations and reported in the context of their performance reports. The chart for the pro rata distribution of the expenditures was set out in annex VI to the report.
2. The Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, in paragraph 25 of its report of 26 June 1996 (A/50/985) recommended that the General Assembly approve the cost estimates for the Logistics Base in the amount of \$7,875,000 gross to be prorated among the individual peacekeeping operations budgets. The Advisory Committee also recommended that such additional appropriation for this purpose, as may be required, should be justified by the Secretary-General in the context of the performance reports for the relevant peacekeeping operations.
3. In its resolution 52/1 of 15 October 1997, the General Assembly took note of the budget proposed by the Secretary-General and recommended by the Advisory Committee for the maintenance of the Logistics Base for the period from 1 July 1996 to 30 June 1997, amounting to \$7,875,000 gross (\$7,375,200 net). The Assembly also noted that the ad hoc financing would be reflected in the respective performance reports of the peacekeeping operations for the same period.

II. Financial performance report for the period from 1 July 1996 to 30 June 1997

4. Pursuant to General Assembly resolution 52/1, the amounts provided from within the approved appropriations of various peacekeeping operations for the maintenance of the Logistics Base were as follows:

Table 1.
Amounts provided by peacekeeping operations
(United States dollars)

<i>Peacekeeping mission</i>	<i>Amount</i>
United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus	302 000
United Nations Disengagement Observer Force	221 700
United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon	436 300
United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission	408 500
United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara	248 900
United Nations Observer Mission in Georgia	120 100
United Nations Observer Mission in Liberia	194 300
United Nations Mission of Observers in Tajikistan	51 500
United Nations Angola Verification Mission	2 331 500
United Nations Preventive Deployment Force	358 200
United Nations Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina	925 800
United Nations Transitional Administration for Eastern Slavonia, Baranja and Western Sirmium	1 776 000
Total	7 374 800

5. Annex I to the present report sets out, by budget line item, the cost estimates for the period from 1 July 1996 to 30 June 1997 for the Logistics Base, as contained in annex I of the Secretary-General's report of 1 April 1996 (A/50/907) (column 1), the breakdown of the amount provided from the peacekeeping operations (column 2), as well as the non-recurrent expenditures (column 3) and recurrent expenditures (column 4); the unliquidated obligations are shown in column 6. Supplementary information in respect of the expenditures is contained in annex II. The planned and actual deployment of civilian personnel for the period is shown in annex III. The authorized staffing and incumbency is presented in annex IV and the vehicle establishment is presented in annex V.

6. The expenditures for the period totalled \$5,349,000, resulting in an unencumbered balance of \$2,025,800. The unencumbered balance resulted primarily from premises (\$97,600), transport operations (\$316,300), and supplies and services (\$1,907,100). The unspent balance for premises was owing to lower requirements for maintenance services, while the balance under transport operations resulted from lower costs for rental of vehicles and spare parts, repairs and maintenance. Savings under supplies and services resulted from the use of general temporary assistance personnel to complete some of the tasks which were to be accomplished under contractual arrangements. Owing to the ad hoc financing arrangements, funds were not readily identifiable by the peacekeeping missions to make contractual arrangements viable.

7. The unencumbered balance was partially offset by additional requirements for miscellaneous equipment for use by the Buildings Management Unit and for spare parts for sundry equipment (\$107,200).

8. An amount of \$71,500 in prior mandate expenditures are included in this report for utilities (\$50,500) and commercial communications (\$21,000).

9. Non-budgeted voluntary contributions in kind amounting to approximately \$340,700, representing the services of 33 military personnel for the period from January through August 1997, was provided by the Government of Italy. The personnel were employed in the vehicle maintenance, generator maintenance and receiving and inspection units.

III. Action to be taken by the General Assembly at its fifty-second session

10. The action to be taken by the General Assembly in connection with the financing of the Logistics Base is a decision to apply the unencumbered balance of \$2,025,800 to the resources required for the period from 1 July 1998 to 30 June 1999.

Annex I

Financial performance report for the period from 1 July 1996 to 30 June 1997: summary statement

(Thousands of United States dollars)

	(1) Original cost estimates	(2) Apportion- ment	(3) Non-recurrent expenditures	(4) Recurrent expenditures	(5) Total expenditures (3+4)	(6) Unliquidated obligations	(7) Variance (2-5)
1. Military personnel costs							
(a) Military observers	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(b) Military contingents	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(c) Other costs pertaining to military personnel	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Civilian personnel costs							
(a) Civilian police	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(b) International and local staff							
International staff salaries	896.6	896.6	—	768.4	768.4		128.2
Local staff salaries	372.3	372.3	—	324.3	324.3		48.0
Consultants	—	—	—	—	—		—
Overtime	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
General temporary assistance	—	—	—	550.7	550.7	—	(550.7)
Common staff costs	650.7	650.7	—	365.5	365.5	16.1	285.2
Mission subsistence allowance	449.7	449.7	—	564.7	564.7	—	(115.0)
Other travel costs	23.4	23.4	—	37.0	37.0	10.9	(13.6)
Subtotal	2 392.7	2 392.7	—	2 610.6	2 610.6	27.0	(217.9)
(c) International contractual personnel	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(d) United Nations Volunteers	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(e) Government-provided personnel	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(f) Civilian electoral observers	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, line 2	2 392.7	2 392.7	—	2 610.6	2 610.6	27.0	(217.9)
3. Premises/accommodation							
Rental of premises	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Alteration and renovation of premises	—	—	—	268.1	268.1	101.0	(268.1)
Maintenance supplies	192.0	192.0	—	155.9	155.9	92.5	36.1
Maintenance services	610.0	610.0	—	229.9	229.9	245.6	380.1
Utilities	42.0	42.0	—	92.5	92.5	41.9	(50.5)
Construction/prefabricated buildings	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, line 3	844.0	844.0	—	746.4	746.4	481.0	97.6
4. Infrastructure repairs	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Transport operations							
Purchase of vehicles	—	—	34.2	—	34.2	34.2	(34.2)
Rental of vehicles	272.4	272.4	—	74.4	74.4	36.6	198.0

	(1) Original cost estimates	(2) Apportion- ment	(3) Non-recurrent expenditures	(4) Recurrent expenditures	(5) Total expenditures (3+4)	(6) Unliquidated obligations	(7) Variance (2-5)
Workshop equipment	—	—	73.4	—	73.4	73.4	(73.4)
Spare parts, repairs and maintenance	384.0	384.0	—	235.0	235.0	198.4	149.0
Petrol, oil and lubricants	95.1	95.1	—	58.2	58.2	25.4	36.9
Vehicle insurance	60.0	60.0	—	20.0	20.0	15.0	40.0
Total, line 5	811.5	811.5	107.6	387.6	495.2	383.0	316.3
6. Air operations							
(a) <i>Helicopter operations</i>	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(b) <i>Fixed-wing aircraft</i>	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(c) <i>Aircrew subsistence allowance</i>	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(d) <i>Other air operation costs</i>	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Naval operations	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Communications							
(a) <i>Complementary communications</i>							
Communications equipment	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Spare parts and supplies	130.0	130.0	—	71.7	71.7	40.3	58.3
Workshop and test equipment	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Commercial communications	32.0	32.0	—	53.0	53.0	35.7	(21.0)
Subtotal	162.0	162.0	—	124.7	124.7	76.0	37.3
(b) <i>Main trunking contract</i>	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, line 8	162.0	162.0	—	124.7	124.7	76.0	37.3
9. Other equipment							
Office furniture	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Office equipment	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Data-processing equipment	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Generators	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Observation equipment	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Petrol tank plus metering equipment	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Water and septic tanks	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Medical and dental equipment	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Accommodation equipment	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Refrigeration equipment	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Miscellaneous equipment	—	—	50.0	—	50.0	50.0	(50.0)
Field defence equipment	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Spare parts, repairs and maintenance	124.0	124.0	—	181.2	181.2	146.0	(57.2)
Water-purification equipment	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, line 9	124.0	124.0	50.0	181.2	231.2	196.0	(107.2)
10. Supplies and services							
(a) <i>Miscellaneous services</i>							

	(1) Original cost estimates	(2) Apportion- ment	(3) Non-recurrent expenditures	(4) Recurrent expenditures	(5) Total expenditures (3+4)	(6) Unliquidated obligations	(7) Variance (2-5)
Audit services	17.2	17.2	—	17.2	17.2	17.2	—
Contractual services	2 769.6	2 769.2	—	911.8	911.8	375.3	1 857.4
Data-processing services	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Security services	120.0	120.0	—	83.2	83.2	—	36.8
Medical treatment and services	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Claims and adjustments	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Official hospitality	—	—	—	0.6	0.6	—	(0.6)
Miscellaneous other services	—	—	—	1.1	1.1	1.0	(1.1)
Subtotal	2 906.8	2 906.4	—	1 013.9	1 013.9	393.5	1 892.5
<i>(b) Miscellaneous supplies</i>							
Stationery and office supplies	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Medical supplies	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sanitation and cleaning materials	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Subscriptions	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Electrical supplies	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ballistic-protective blankets for vehicles	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Uniform items, flags and decals	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Field defence stores	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Operational maps	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Miscellaneous supplies	60.0	60.0	—	45.4	45.5	19.5	14.6
Subtotal	60.0	60.0	—	45.4	45.5	19.5	14.6
Total, line 10	2 966.8	2 966.4	—	1 059.3	1 059.3	413.0	1 907.1
11. Election-related supplies and services							
<i>(a) Standard kits for registration teams</i>	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>(b) Various election materials</i>	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>(c) Election-related contractual service</i>	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
12. Public information programmes	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
13. Training programmes	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
14. Mine-clearing programmes							
<i>(a) Acquisition of equipment</i>	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>(b) Supplies, services and operating costs</i>	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
15. Assistance for disarmament and demobilization							
<i>(a) Rehabilitation/reintegration assistance to demobilized military forces</i>	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>(b) Provision of food, including transportation and distribution</i>	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
16. Air and surface freight							
Transport of contingent-owned equipment	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Military airlifts	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

	(1) <i>Original cost estimates</i>	(2) <i>Apportion- ment</i>	(3) <i>Non-recurrent expenditures</i>	(4) <i>Recurrent expenditures</i>	(5) <i>Total expenditures (3+4)</i>	(6) <i>Unliquidated obligations</i>	(7) <i>Variance (2-5)</i>
Commercial freight and cartage	74.2	74.2	—	81.6	81.6	47.0	(7.4)
Total, line 16	74.2	74.2	—	81.6	81.6	47.0	(7.4)
17. Integrated Management Information System	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
18. Support account for peacekeeping operations	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
19. Staff assessment							
Staff assessment, international staff	255.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Staff assessment, local staff	244.8	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, line 19	499.8	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, lines 1-19	7 875.0	7 374.8	157.6	5 191.4	5 349.0	1 623.0	2 025.8
20. Income from staff assessment	(499.8)	—	—	—	—	—	—
21. Voluntary contributions in kind (budgeted)					—		—
Total, lines 20-21	(499.8)	—	—	—	—	—	—
Gross requirements	7 875.0	7 374.8	157.6	5 191.4	5 349.0	1 623.0	2 025.8
Net requirements	7 375.2	7 374.8	157.6	5 191.4	5 349.0	1 623.0	2 025.8
22. Voluntary contributions in kind (non-budgeted)	—	340.7	—	340.7	340.7	—	—
Total resources	7 375.2	7 374.8	157.6	5 532.1	5 689.7	1 623.0	2 025.8

Annex II

Financial performance report for the period from 1 July 1996 to 30 June 1997: supplementary information

A. Detailed variances in requirements and costs

Description	Estimate		Actual		Explanation	Supplementary explanation (para. numbers in sect. B)
	Number of units	Unit/daily/monthly/annual cost (United States dollars)	Number of units	Unit/daily/monthly/annual cost (United States dollars)		
1. Military personnel costs					No change.	
2. Civilian personnel costs						
(a) Civilian police		—		—	No change.	2
(b) International and local staff						
International staff salaries		896 600		768 400	Some international posts encumbered at lower grade levels than budgeted.	3
Average strength	16		16			
Vacancy rate (percentage)	0		3			
Local staff salaries		372 300		324 300	Fluctuation in the exchange rate.	4
Average strength	17		16			
Vacancy rate (percentage)	0		2			
Overtime					No change.	
General temporary assistance		—		550 700	Requirements for personnel hired under special service agreements originally budgeted under contractual services.	5
Common staff costs		650 700		365 500	Posts encumbered by staff at lower grade levels than budgeted.	6
Mission subsistence allowance		449 700		564 700	Payment to 4 communications technicians from UNIFIL.	7
Other travel costs		23 400		37 000	Higher actual requirements.	8
(c) International contractual personnel		—			No change.	
(d) United Nations Volunteers		—			No change.	
(e) Government-provided personnel		—			No change.	
(f) Civilian electoral observers		—			No change.	
3. Premises/accommodation						
Rental of premises		—		—	No change.	
Alteration and renovation of premises		—		268 100	Requirements originally budgeted under maintenance services.	14
Maintenance supplies		192 000		155 900	Lower actual requirements.	15
Maintenance services		610 000		229 900	Some expenditures recorded under alterations and renovations of premises.	16

Description	Estimate		Actual		Explanation	Supplementary explanation (para. numbers in sect. B)
	Unit/daily/ monthly/annual cost		Unit/daily/ monthly/annual cost			
	Number of units	(United States dollars)	Number of units	(United States dollars)		
Utilities		42 000		92 500	Includes \$50,500 in prior mandate expenditures.	17
Construction/prefabricated buildings		—		—	No change.	
4. Infrastructure repairs		—		—	No change.	
5. Transport operations						
Purchase of vehicles		—	1	34 200	Purchase of electric forklift for use in warehouses.	20
Rental of vehicles		272 400		74 400	Repaired/refurbished vehicles/vehicular equipment were utilized.	21
Workshop equipment		—		73 400	Various workshop equipment required for repairs/refurbishment of equipment.	22
Spare parts, repairs and maintenance		384 000		235 000	Lower actual requirements.	23
Petrol, oil and lubricants		95 100		58 200	Lower actual requirements.	24
Vehicle insurance		60 000		20 000	Logistics Base vehicle fleet remained under United Nations Peace Forces registration and insurance.	25
6. Air operations		—		—	No change.	
7. Naval operations		—		—	No change.	
8. Communications						
(a) Complementary communications						
Communications equipment		—		—	No change.	
Spare parts and supplies		130 000		71 700	Lower actual requirements.	29
Workshop and test equipment		—		—	No change.	
Commercial communications		32 000		53 000	Includes \$21,000 in prior mandate expenditures.	31
(b) Main trunking contract		—		—	No change.	

Description	Estimate		Actual		Explanation	Supplementary explanation (para. numbers in sect. B)
	Number of units	Unit/daily/ monthly/annual cost	Number of units	Unit/daily/ monthly/annual cost		
		(United States dollars)		(United States dollars)		
9. Other equipment						
Miscellaneous equipment		—	50 000	Purchase of various power and hand tools required by Buildings Management Unit.		42
Spare parts, repairs and maintenance		124 000	181 200	Higher actual cost of repair and refurbishment of generators, data-processing, refrigeration and other equipment.		44
10. Supplies and services						
<i>(a) Miscellaneous services</i>						
Audit services		17 200	17 200			46
Contractual services		2 769 200	911 800	Some services provided by personnel on special service agreements and recorded under general temporary assistance.		47
Security services		120 000	83 200	Does not include an amount of \$30,870 in expenditures recorded under general temporary assistance.		49
Official hospitality		—	600	In connection with visits by local government officials.		52
Miscellaneous other services		—	1 100	Bank charges and subscriptions.		53
<i>(b) Miscellaneous supplies</i>						
Miscellaneous supplies		60 000	45 400	Lower actual requirements.		64
11. Election- related supplies and services		—	—	No change.		—
12. Public information programmes		—	—	No change.		
13. Training programmes		—	—	No change.		
14. Mine-clearing programmes		—	—	No change.		
15. Assistance for disarmament and demobilization		—	—	No change.		
16. Air and surface freight		—	—	No change.		—
Commercial freight and cartage		74 200	81 600	Higher actual requirements for packaging materials.		72
17. United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi		—	—	Not applicable.		

Description	Estimate		Actual		Explanation	Supplementary explanation (para. numbers in sect. B)
	Unit/daily/ monthly/annual cost		Unit/daily/ monthly/annual cost			
	Number of units	(United States dollars)	Number of units	(United States dollars)		
18. Support account for peacekeeping operations		—		—	No change.	
19. Staff assessment		—		—		
Total, lines 1-19		7 374 800		5 349 000		
20. Income from staff assessment		—		—		75
21. Voluntary contributions in kind (budgeted)		—		—	No change.	
22. Voluntary contributions in kind (non-budgeted)				340 700	Services of 33 government-provided military personnel.	77
Total resources		7 374 800		5 689 700		

B. Supplementary information

	<i>Variances (United States dollars)</i>
1. Military personnel costs	—
1. No change.	
2. Civilian personnel costs	
(a) <i>Civilian police</i>	—
2. No change.	
(b) <i>International and local staff</i>	(217 900)
3. <i>International staff salaries.</i> The estimate of \$896,600 provided for 16 international staff (eight Professional, five Field Service and three General Service). The unspent balance of \$128,200 was realized as some international posts were encumbered by staff at lower grade levels than budgeted.	
4. <i>Local staff salaries.</i> Provision was made in the amount of \$372,300 for 17 locally recruited staff. The unspent balance of \$48,000 resulted from fluctuations in the value of the Italian lire and a two-per cent average vacancy rate for the period.	
5. <i>General temporary assistance.</i> The expenditure of \$550,700 resulted from the use of personnel on special service agreements to complete tasks, some of which were originally budgeted under contractual services. The Office of Internal Oversight Services recommended that this expenditure should be recorded under general temporary assistance. The number of personnel employed on this basis as at 30 June 1997 is shown in table 1:	

Table 1
Breakdown of general temporary assistance requirements

<i>Section requiring support</i>	<i>Number of personnel</i>
Logistic Support Services	75
Electronic Support Services	9
Building Management Unit	24
Security Services	6
Finance Section	2
General Services Section	4
Procurement Section	1
Personnel Section	1
Total	122

6. *Common staff costs.* An amount of \$650,700 was provided under this line item. The unspent balance of \$285,200 was realized because some international posts were encumbered by staff at lower grade levels than budgeted and there was an overall vacancy rate of two per cent. In addition, some home leave and family visit travel were deferred.

7. *Mission subsistence allowance.* The additional requirements of \$115,000 were owing to payment of mission subsistence allowance to four Field Service technicians transferred to the Logistics Base from the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL) to support the satellite communications facilities at the Base which now provide relay requirements between the Middle East missions and the India-Pakistan region missions and which were previously provided by UNIFIL.

8. *Other travel costs.* Additional requirements of \$13,600 arose for travel in connection with various activities of the Logistics Base. Details are provided in table 2 below:

Table 2

Other travel*(United States dollars)*

<i>Description</i>	<i>Cost Estimate</i>	<i>Expenditure</i>	<i>Variance</i>
(a) Travel to New York by Chief of Logistics Base	7 800	—	7 800
(b) Other travel	15 600		
Travel to Rome by Logistics Base Liaison Officer to obtain visas for the international staff		3 374	
Travel by outgoing Chief of Logistics Base to brief his successor		1 188	
Travel by Officer-in-Charge of Procurement and one Finance Assistant to United Nations Peace Forces Zagreb for briefing and hand-over of Logistics Base documentation	—	2 052	
Travel to the Base by United Nations Transitional Administration for Eastern Slavonia, Baranja and Western Sirmium staff member in connection with the delivery of supplement ration packs, collection of air containers and riot-fighting equipment	—	1 862	
Travel to United Nations Supply Depot/Pisa to transport goods from warehouse to Logistics Base	—	2 326	
Travel by Chief of Base to Rome for official visits to Foreign Ministry and to meet senior Department of Peacekeeping Operations (DPKO) officials	—	743	
Travel to Base by internal auditors	—	7 790	
Travel by senior DPKO officials	—	5 634	
Travel to the United Nations Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina for technical support	—	1 274	
Travel by Department of Peacekeeping Operations Logistics personnel to assess inventory of Base	—	5 288	
Travel by two staff members to Geneva to participate in G to P examinations	—	3 768	
Travel to FAO/Rome to retrieve timeplex equipment	—	339	
Travel to New York by UNPF resident auditor who was on loan to Base for debriefing prior to new assignment	—	1 407	
Total (b)	15 600	37 045	(21 445)
Total	23 400	37 045	(13 645)

(c) *International contractual personnel* —

9. No change.

- (d) *United Nations Volunteers* —
10. No change.
- (e) *Government-provided personnel* —
11. No change.
- (f) *Civilian electoral observers* —
12. No change.

3. Premises/accommodation 97 600

13. *Rental of premises*. No change.

14. *Alterations and renovations of premises*. Expenditures in the amount of \$268,100 were incurred for alterations and renovations to adapt the former-Italian Air Force premises to meet requirements of the Base. Some of these expenditures were provided for under maintenance services but were recorded under this heading based on the recommendations of the Office of Internal Oversight Services. Details of the expenditures incurred are shown in table 3 below:

Table 3

Breakdown of alterations and renovations

(United States dollars)

Description	Cost
Inspection/testing of existing design as well as new electrical system	27 492
Installation of electrical power in buildings 20, 118A and 154	131 000
Purchase of electrical supplies and installation of electrical systems in buildings 144 and 146	41 472
Repair and upgrade of the interior of building 130	44 126
Repair and upgrade of the foundation pads and electrical power lines for communications shelter at San Pancrazio	15 890
Installation of automatic electrical main failure switches at the Logistics Base	8 120
Total	268 100

15. *Maintenance supplies*. Provision was made in the amount of \$192,000 under this line item. Actual requirements amounted to \$155,900, resulting in an unspent balance of \$36,100.

16. *Maintenance services*. Requirements under this line item were estimated at \$610,000, while expenditures amounted to \$229,900. The unspent balance of \$380,100 was realized, as various services totalling \$268,100 provided for under this heading were recorded under alterations and renovations of premises, as recommended by the Office of Internal Oversight Services and explained in paragraph 14 above.

17. *Utilities*. The additional requirements of \$50,500 under this line item resulted from the settlement in October 1996 of utility bills for the period 1 October 1995 to 30 June 1996.

18. *Construction/prefabricated buildings*. No change.

4. Infrastructure repairs —

19. No provision was made under this heading.

5. Transport operations 316 300

20. *Purchase of vehicles.* The expenditure of \$34,200 was incurred for the purchase of one electric forklift for the movement of various equipment and supplies inside the warehouses. An electrically operated forklift was specified for safety and health reasons.

21. *Rental of vehicles.* Provision was made in the amount of \$272,400. The unspent balance of \$198,000 was realized due to the Base's ability to repair/refurbish some of the vehicles/vehicular equipment required. Expenditures totalled \$74,400 for the rental of one bus to transport passengers during the material management seminar held at the Base from 24 to 28 September 1996, two cranes, one backhoe excavator, two flat-bed trailers and one road/runway sweeper.

22. *Workshop equipment.* Expenditures totalling \$73,400 were incurred under this line item for the purchase of various workshop equipment required to repair/refurbish vehicles held in the United Nations reserve stock. The items purchased are listed in table 4 below:

Table 4

Workshop equipment

(United States dollars)

<i>Item</i>	<i>Cost</i>
Stackable storage bins	9 621
Battery charger	1 361
Workshop/body tools	1 323
Heavy duty tyre changer	7 177
Brake resurfacing machine	5 538
Heavy-duty MIG welder	3 036
Hydraulic trolley	5 800
Oxygen gas welding kit	4 000
Load bank tester	32 000
Air-conditioning equipment	2 500
Compression testing set	1 000
Total	73 356

23. *Spare parts, repairs and maintenance.* Provision was made in the amount of \$384,000 for 64 vehicles. The unspent balance of \$149,000 resulted from actual requirements being lower than anticipated.

24. *Petrol, oil and lubricants.* The budget provided an amount of \$95,100 for petrol for 64 vehicles for 260 days at a daily usage of 20 litres at \$0.26 per litre and lubricants at 10 per cent of the cost of petrol. Expenditures totalled \$58,200 for 160,466 litres purchased in bulk (\$41,721) and oil and lubricants (\$16,478), resulting in an unspent balance of \$36,900. Actual daily usage per vehicle was 4.9 litres, based on consumption of 81,904 litres for the period. The fuel stock as at 30 June 1997 was 78,562 litres.

25. *Vehicle insurance.* Provision was made in the amount of \$60,000 under this line item. Actual expenditures in annex I amounted to \$20,000 and reflected the fact that the vehicle fleet retained UNPF registration and insurance during the period covered by the budget, pending the ratification of the Memorandum of Understanding on the United Nations Logistics Base by the Parliament of Italy. Hence, an unspent balance of \$40,000 was realized under this heading. The UNPF special account will be credited accordingly.

6. Air operations —

26. No change.

7. Naval operations —

27. No change.

8. Communications 37 300

(a) *Complementary communications*

28. *Communications equipment.* No change.

29. *Spare parts and supplies.* The unspent balance of \$58,300 was realized from actual requirements being lower than budgeted.

30. *Workshop and test equipment.* No change.

31. *Commercial communications.* The additional requirement of \$21,000 under this line item resulted from settlement of INMARSAT and INTELSAT charges for the prior fiscal period.

(b) *Main trunking contract.* No change.

9. Other equipment (107 200)

32. *Office furniture.* No change.

33. *Office equipment.* No change.

34. *Data-processing equipment.* No change.

35. *Generators.* No change.

36. *Observation equipment.* No change.

37. *Petrol tank plus metering equipment.* No change.

38. *Water and septic tanks.* No change.

39. *Medical and dental equipment.* No change.

40. *Accommodation equipment.* No change.

41. *Refrigeration equipment.* No change.

42. *Miscellaneous equipment.* Expenditures of \$50,000 under this line item resulted from the purchase of various power and hand tools required by the Buildings Management Unit. Details are provided in table 5 below:

Table 5

Miscellaneous equipment

(United States dollars)

<i>Description</i>	<i>Cost</i>
Electric and cordless drills and hammers	17 590
Vacuum cleaners	2 360
Angle grinders	6 600
Electric mixer	1 240
Shear machine	800
Manual band-saw, circular and jig saws and chain	5 905
Hot glue guns	610
Wall milling machine	1 100
Orbital sander	350
Battery chargers and batteries for drills	1 365
Universal combined machine cover	560
Metal sheet cut and accessories	3 390
Electrician and carpenter tool kits	4 600
Inverter, ratchet keys, bolt cutters and blades	1 669
Electric callipers	385
Screwdriver sets	1 470
Total	49 994

43. *Field defence equipment.* No change.

44. *Spare parts, repairs and maintenance.* Additional requirements of \$57,200 resulted from the higher actual cost of repair and refurbishment of generators, refrigeration, data-processing, office and miscellaneous equipment during the period.

45. *Water-purification equipment.* No change.

10. Supplies and services

(a) *Miscellaneous services* 1 892 500

46. *Audit services.* The provision has been fully obligated to cover the cost of the external audit conducted during the reporting period.

47. *Contractual services.* An amount of \$2,769,200 was provided under this line item. Expenditures totalled \$911,800. The unspent balance of \$1,857,400 was realized because some peacekeeping missions could not identify savings that could be made available for the ad hoc financing of the Base until the latter part of the fiscal year. This made it impossible for the Base to enter into contractual arrangements to the degree envisaged. As an alternative, some tasks were completed under general temporary assistance in the amount of \$550,700 by personnel on special service agreements. The expenditures under contractual services are detailed in table 6 below:

Table 6

Contractual services

(United States dollars)

<i>Description</i>	<i>Cost</i>
Refurbishment of motor vehicles	171 393
Warehouse and logistics personnel for re-warehousing selection	365 532
Vehicle spare parts	12 700
Repair/maintenance of various communications, electronic data-processing and other equipment	77 339
Waste-disposal services	25 251
Grounds-keeping services	51 615
Service contract for one engineer	66 731
Other contractual services, including: locksmith services, pick-up and delivery services, repair of prefabricated units, electrical design services, cleaning design services, technical survey for repair of water drilling rig, landscape survey at the Base and San Pancrazio, inspection of existing and designing of new electrical system, installation of two foam-packing systems, installation of power lines at San Pancrazio, cleaning and disinfection of flack jackets, transport and disposal of burnt materials from San Pancrazio storage site	141 219
Total	911 780

48. *Data-processing services.* No change.

49. *Security services.* The unspent balance of \$36,800 resulted from the fact that the cost of security services for three months amounting to \$30,870 was included under general temporary assistance. The expenditures cover the cost of six security personnel employed at the San Pancrazio storage site.

50. *Medical treatment and services.* No change.

51. *Claims and adjustments.* No change.

52. *Official hospitality.* Expenditure under this heading amounted to \$600.

53. *Miscellaneous other services.* The expenditure of \$1,100 resulted from bank charges incurred during the period and subscriptions to various periodicals.

(b) *Miscellaneous supplies* 14 600

54. *Stationery and office supplies.* No change.

55. *Medical supplies.* No change.

56. *Sanitation and cleaning materials.* No change.

57. *Subscriptions.* No change.

58. *Electrical supplies.* No change.

59. *Ballistic-protective blankets for vehicles.* No change.

60. *Uniform items, flags and decals.* No change.

61. *Field defence stores.* No change.

62. *Operational maps.* No change.

63. *Quartermaster and general stores.* No change.

64. *Miscellaneous supplies.* The unspent balance of \$14,600 resulted from actual requirements being lower than estimated.

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11. **Election-related supplies and services** —
65. No change.
12. **Public information programmes** —
66. No change.
13. **Training programmes** —
67. No change.
14. **Mine-clearing programmes** —
68. No change.
15. **Assistance for disarmament and demobilization** —
69. No change.
16. **Air and surface freight** (7 400)
70. *Transport of contingent-owned equipment.* No change.
71. *Military airlifts.* No change.
72. *Commercial freight and cartage.* Additional requirements of \$7,400 resulted from the higher actual cost of wooden pallets, carton boxes and various packaging materials for shipment of equipment and supplies.
17. **United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi** —
Not applicable.
18. **Support account for peacekeeping operations** —
73. No change.
19. **Staff assessment** —
74. No change.
20. **Income from staff assessment** —
75. No change.
21. **Voluntary contributions in-kind (budgeted)** —
76. No change.
22. **Voluntary contributions in-kind (non-budgeted)** —
77. The services of 33 Italian military personnel were made available to the Base during the period from January to August 1997 to assist with vehicle maintenance, generator maintenance and receiving and inspection activities.

Annex III

Planned and actual deployment of civilian personnel for the period from 1 July 1996 to 30 June 1997

	<i>Deployment as at</i>											
	<i>31 July 96</i>	<i>31 Aug 96</i>	<i>30 Sep 96</i>	<i>31 Oct 96</i>	<i>30 Nov 96</i>	<i>31 Dec 96</i>	<i>31 Jan 97</i>	<i>28 Feb 97</i>	<i>31 Mar 97</i>	<i>30 Apr 97</i>	<i>31 May 97</i>	<i>30 June 97</i>
International staff												
Planned	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16
Actual	16	16	16	16	16	14	14	15	16	16	16	16
Difference	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	1	—	—	—	—
Local staff												
Planned	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17
Actual	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	16	16	16	16
Difference	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	1

Annex IV

Authorized staffing, incumbency and vacancy rate for the period from 1 July 1996 to 30 June 1997

Personnel category	Authorized staffing	1996						1997						Average
		31 July	31 Aug	30 Sep	31 Oct	30 Nov	31 Dec	31 Jan	28 Feb	31 Mar	30 Apr	31 May	30 June	
Civilian personnel														
International staff														
Under-Secretary-General	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Assistant Secretary-General	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
D-2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
D-1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
P-5	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	1	—
P-4	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
P-3	5	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
P-2	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Subtotal	8	2	3	3	3	3	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	3
Vacancy rate (percentage)		75	63	63	63	63	75	75	75	63	63	63	63	67
Field Service	5	8	8	8	7	7	7	7	8	9	9	9	9	8
General Service (Principal level)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
General Service (Other level)	3	6	5	5	6	6	4	4	4	3	3	3	3	4
Security Service	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Subtotal	8	14	13	13	13	13	12	12	13	13	13	13	13	13
Vacancy rate (percentage)		(75)	(63)	(63)	(63)	(63)	(50)	(50)	(63)	(63)	(63)	(63)	(63)	(61)
Total, international staff	16	16	16	16	16	16	14	14	15	16	16	16	16	16
Vacancy rate (percentage)		0	0	0	0	0	13	13	6	0	0	0	0	3

<i>Personnel category</i>	<i>Authorized staffing</i>	<i>1996</i>						<i>1997</i>						<i>Average</i>
		<i>31 July</i>	<i>31 Aug</i>	<i>30 Sep</i>	<i>31 Oct</i>	<i>30 Nov</i>	<i>31 Dec</i>	<i>31 Jan</i>	<i>28 Feb</i>	<i>31 Mar</i>	<i>30 Apr</i>	<i>31 May</i>	<i>30 June</i>	
<i>Local staff</i>	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	16	16	16	16	17
Vacancy rate (percentage)		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	6	6	6	2
Total, civilian personnel	33	33	33	33	33	33	31	31	32	32	32	32	32	32
Vacancy rate (percentage)		0	0	0	0	0	6	6	3	3	3	3	3	2

Annex V

Vehicle establishment for the period from 1 July 1996 to 30 June 1997

<i>Description</i>	<i>Quantity</i>
Sedan, light	9
Sedan, medium	1
Bus, light	4
Bus, medium	1
Pickup	22
4x4 all terrain	1
Delivery van	1
Truck, medium	2
Truck, crane	1
Truck, heavy volt	2
Truck, light	1
Tractor unit	1
Forklift, electric	1
Forklift, light	6
Forklift, medium	3
Forklift, heavy	2
Recovery truck	1
Mobile workshop	1
Forklift, telehandler	1
Forklift, rack sliding	2
Trailer container	2
Trailer flatbed, 40 feet	1
Trailer lowbed, 65-ton	1
Total	67