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REPRESENTATION BY BURMA

The following communication, dated 14 May 1968, addressed to the Chairman of the Committee on Contributions by the Permanent Representative of Burma, is submitted to the Committee on Contributions for consideration:

"I am instructed by my Government to request the consideration of the Committee on Contributions of a reduction in the assessment of the contribution of Burma towards the regular budget of the United Nations, the present assessment being .06 per cent.

"Although the scale of assessment for Burma has remained static at .06 per cent since 1965, the amount of our actual contribution has, in fact, been increasing with the expanding membership and the resultant expanding activities of the United Nations. My Government, nevertheless, has never failed to assume readily Burma's obligations as a Member of the United Nations.

"The present scale of assessment for Burma at .06 per cent was based, as indicated in the report of the Committee on Contributions (A/7013) on the national income figures for the period 1963 to 1965. However, since 1965, and particularly in 1967, Burma faced economic difficulties and adverse balance of payments which have affected our ability to meet our obligations and commitments involving foreign exchange.

"I hope to be able to present to the Committee relevant economic data in support of this present request.

"Please accept, Sir, etc.

(Signed) SOE TIN
Permanent Representative"
