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COLLECTION OF CONTRIBUTIONS

Report of the Secretary-General

1. A statement of the contribution payments received during the period 1 January to 31 August 1966 in respect of assessed contributions for 1966 and prior years is annexed (Annex I).
2. Under its terms of reference, one of the functions of the Committee on Contributions is "to consider and report to the General Assembly on the action to be taken if Members fall into default with their contributions" and in this connexion the Committee shall "advise the Assembly in regard to the application of Article 19 of the Charter."
3. In his report to the twenty-fourth session of the Committee on Contributions (A/CN.2/R.219), the Secretary-General stated in paragraph 5:

"In the light of this action by the General Assembly,^{1/} the question of the applicability of Article 19 of the Charter would not refer to Member States contributions to the United Nations Emergency Force and the United Nations Operation in the Congo. In this connexion the Secretary-General can report that at the present time the amount of arrears due by any Member State to the regular budget of the United Nations is in all cases less than the amount of contributions due from them for the preceding two full years (i.e., 1963 and 1964)."

4. The 1965 contributions, as well as the 1966 contributions, were assessed by the General Assembly at its twentieth session and payment of the contributions for the two years was requested by the Secretary-General in his communications of 14 and 28 January 1966 respectively. In accordance with the Financial Regulations

^{1/} At its 1331st plenary meeting on 1 September 1965, the General Assembly adopted the reports of the Special Committee on Peace-Keeping Operations, documents A/5915 and Add. 1, and A/5916 and Add.1.

of the United Nations,^{2/} unpaid contributions for 1965 and 1966 can therefore not be considered to be in arrears until 1 January 1967.

5. Consequently, the status of contributions to the United Nations regular budget as stated by the Secretary-General in his report to the 1965 session of the Committee on Contributions remains unchanged.

Collection of Contributions in Currencies other than US Dollars

6. The General Assembly at its twentieth session (resolution 2118 (XX)) authorized the Secretary-General to accept a portion of the contributions of Member States for the financial years 1965, 1966 and 1967 in currencies other than US dollars.

7. The Secretary-General, in his report to the 1965 session of the Committee on Contributions (A/CN.2/R.219) informed the Committee of the arrangements made in 1965 for payment of contributions in currencies other than US dollars. The text of the Secretary-General's communication informing Member States of the arrangements for payment of part of their 1966 contributions in currencies other than US dollars is annexed (Annex II). The amounts accepted in non-US currencies in payment of contributions for 1966 are shown in Annex III.

^{2/} Financial Regulation 5.4 stipulates: "Contributions and advances shall be considered as due and payable in full within thirty days of the receipt of the communication of the Secretary-General referred to in regulation 5.3 above, or as of the first day of the financial year to which they relate, whichever is the later. As of 1 January of the following financial year, the unpaid balance of such contributions and advances shall be considered to be one year in arrears."

ANNEX I

CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED DURING PERIOD 1 JANUARY to 31 AUGUST 1966 ^{a/}

	Working Capital Fund		United Nations Regular Budget		United Nations Emergency Force Special Account		Congo ad hoc Account	
	US \$	For 1966	For prior years	For 1966	For prior years	For prior years	US \$	
Afghanistan	-	-	8,156.91	-	-	-	-	
Albania	-	13,160.00	48,238.00	-	-	-	-	
Algeria	-	101,955.09 ^{b/}	89,295.00	-	4,735.52 ^{d/}	-	-	
Australia	-	789,486.00 ^{b/}	-	270,835.00 ^{b/}	(14,165.00) ^{d/}	-	-	
Austria	32,000.00	85,200.00	61,496.00	113,563.00	29,923.00	-	-	
Belgium	-	-	232,731.00	-	27,288.00	-	-	
Brazil	-	-	848,031.00	44,758.00	44,997.00	82,946.00	-	
Bulgaria	-	-	80,216.00	-	-	-	-	
Burma	-	57,176.00 ^{b/}	-	2,826.00 ^{b/}	-	-	-	
Byelorussian SSR	-	-	332,590.00	-	-	-	-	
Cambodia	-	-	9,370.80	-	1,895.00	-	-	
Cameroon	-	40,785.00	10,146.00	1,885.00	1,895.00	-	-	
Canada	20,000.00	3,232,140.00	263,131.45	679,231.00	128,231.00 ^{e/}	-	-	
Central African Republic	-	40,785.00	5,718.00	-	3,780.00	-	-	
Ceylon	-	77,568.00	-	3,769.00	-	-	-	
Chad	-	-	36,003.99	-	1,908.77	-	-	
China ^{c/}	-	-	647,668.00	-	50,000.00	50,000.00	-	
Colombia	-	-	231,600.17	10,836.00	-	-	-	
Costa Rica	-	-	32,934.00	-	3,466.00	6,698.00	-	
Cuba	-	-	35,000.00	-	-	-	-	
Cyprus	-	20,393.00	6,598.00	1,885.00	1,895.00	-	-	
Czechoslovakia	24,360.60	200,000.00	584,639.40	-	-	-	-	
Denmark	16,000.00	632,153.00	76,290.00	132,846.00	12,234.00 ^{e/}	-	-	
Ecuador	-	-	-	-	366.41	-	-	
El Salvador	-	40,785.00	9,234.00	-	3,780.00	12,947.00	-	
Ethiopia	-	36,785.00	2,736.00 ^{b/}	1,885.00	-	-	-	
Finland	-	-	79,626.00	-	92,135.00 ^{e/}	-	-	
France	60,000.00	4,451,478.00	3,582,189.00	1,043,919.00	1,043,919.00	-	-	
Gambia	-	-	4,090.00	-	211.00	-	-	

ANNEX II

The Secretary-General's Communication to Member States
of 28 January 1966

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Under paragraph 1(c) of General Assembly resolution 2118 (XX), the Secretary-General was authorized to accept a portion of the contributions of Member States for the years 1965, 1966 and 1967 in currencies other than United States dollars.

The non-US currencies in which it is estimated that substantial amounts of expenditures will be incurred by the United Nations in 1966 are the following:

Belgian francs	Mexican pesos
Chilean escudos	Netherlands guilders
Egyptian pounds	Pounds sterling
Ethiopian dollars	Swiss francs
French francs	Thailand baht

It will, therefore, be possible to accept payment of part of the contributions of Member States for 1966 in these currencies. If Member States should wish to effect payment in respect of their 1966 contributions in one or more of these currencies, it would be appreciated if notification to that effect could be received as soon as possible and in any event not later than 28 February 1966. At the same time, indication should be given of the maximum amount that the Government would wish to remit in each of the currencies selected for payment, and the approximate date by which such remittance or remittances could be expected.

Member States which have replied affirmatively prior to 28 February 1966 will be advised as soon as possible thereafter of the specific sums that may be remitted in the currencies indicated by them and the bank accounts to which deposit should be made. It will, of course, be appreciated that the extent to which the wishes expressed by Member States can in fact be accommodated will be dependent on estimated United Nations expenditures in non-US currencies and that these, in turn, will be directly affected by the promptness with which such currencies are made available.

As in prior years, payment of contributions in currencies other than United States dollars will be subject to the conditions set out in the following paragraphs.

It is a general condition of acceptance that all currencies remitted for effecting payment of contributions should represent transferable funds which can be used, without further negotiation within the exchange regulations of the countries concerned, for all expenditures incurred by the United Nations within the country in whose currency payment is made.

The dollar equivalent of contribution payments in currencies other than US dollars will be calculated at the most favourable rate of exchange effective on the date of payment and available to the United Nations for conversion of dollars into the respective currencies.

If at any time during the current year following the date of payment of contributions in non-US currencies there should occur a reduction in the exchange value of an allocated currency in terms of United States dollars, Member States may be required, upon notification, to make payment to cover the exchange variations as from the effective date of the change in rate.

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ANNEX III

Amounts accepted in currencies other than US dollars
in payment of contributions for 1966

<u>Member State</u>	<u>United Nations Regular Budget</u> Equivalent of US \$	<u>United Nations Emergency Force Special Account</u> Equivalent of US \$	<u>Total</u> Equivalent of US \$
<u>Pounds Sterling</u>			
Cuba	35,000.00	-	35,000.00
Czechoslovakia	50,000.00	-	50,000.00
India	2,106,906.00	-	2,106,906.00
New Zealand	442,489.00	104,817.00	547,306.00
United Kingdom	<u>5,502,315.00</u>	<u>1,544,876.00</u>	<u>7,047,191.00</u>
	<u>8,136,710.00</u>	<u>1,649,693.00</u>	<u>9,786,403.00</u>
<u>Egyptian Pounds</u>			
United Arab Republic	201,078.00	-	201,078.00
Czechoslovakia	<u>200,000.00</u>	-	<u>200,000.00</u>
	<u>401,078.00</u>		<u>401,078.00</u>
<u>Swiss Francs</u>			
Czechoslovakia	<u>200,000.00</u>	-	<u>200,000.00</u>
<u>Belgian Francs</u>			
Luxembourg	<u>45,869.00</u>	<u>10,714.00</u>	<u>56,583.00</u>
<u>Tunisian Dinars</u>			
Tunisia	<u>12,000.00</u>	-	<u>12,000.00</u>
<u>CFA Francs</u>			
Senegal	<u>35,669.00</u>	<u>1,895.00</u>	<u>37,564.00</u>
<u>Nepalese Rupees</u>			
Nepal	-	<u>3,493.00</u>	<u>3,493.00</u>
Grand Total:	\$ <u>10,497,121.00</u>		