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REPRESENTATION BY ROMANIA

Addendum

The following additional communication dated 1 April 1977 from the Permanent Representative of the Socialist Republic of Romania to the United Nations to the Secretary of the Committee on Contributions is submitted to the Committee for its consideration:

Following my letter of 14 March 1977 I am sending to you herewith additional data information on the damages and losses caused by the earthquake which struck Romania on 4 March 1977.

As on previous occasions, I would highly appreciate it if you could circulate these data to the members of the United Nations Committee on Contributions in order to be duly taken into consideration at the present session.

EARTHQUAKE IN ROMANIA

Brief on damages

On the basis of the most recent evaluation, over 1,570 persons lost their lives and more than 11,000 were injured, following the earthquake of 4 March 1977.

About 33,000 houses collapsed, most of them in the capital of Romania and over 35,000 families are homeless. Another 10,000 houses have been severely damaged.

More than 760 industrial enterprises were damaged, while agriculture has suffered huge losses.

All these losses have affected heavily the whole national economy. The direct losses are preliminarily evaluated at several times the losses of both the 1970 and 1975 floods taken together, which at that time were estimated at more than 2 billion dollars.

This preliminary evaluation does not include personal losses and indirect losses to the economy (imports, exports, invisibles, etc), which are in the process of being evaluated.
