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## I. INTRODUCTION

1. Over the years, United Nations organs and agencies have endeavoured to ensure to everyone adequate protection against torture and other forms of cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment. 1/ A number of international human rights instruments contain provisions aimed at the prohibition and elimination of torture. Several international conventions contain obligations to that effect, which the ratifying States are required to implement. 2/ The International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, in its article 4, provides that torture cannot be tolerated under any circumstances, even in time of public emergency or armed conflict. Torture in all its forms is prohibited and punishable under the domestic criminal law of many countries.
2. Despite the various measures taken by the United Nations, other international organizations, Member States, judges, lawyers, the media and relevant non-governmental organizations to strengthen the implementation of rules for protection against torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment, torture is still practised in many countries.
3. According to information supplied to the United Nations, torture, which is one of the most serious violations of the physical integrity of the human person, leads to physical and mental consequences which can last for several, or even several dozen, years, or be irreversible, not only for the victims themselves, but also for their relatives.
4. In order to assist the victims of torture and their families, the General Assembly, by resolution $36 / 151$ of 16 December 1981 , created the United Nations Voluntary Fund for Victims of Torture. It thereby redefined the mandate of the United Nations Trust Fund for Chile, which had been established by General Assembly resolution $33 / 174$ of 20 December 1978, to encompass all victims of torture anywhere in the world.

## II. PRESENTATION OF THE FUND

## A. Mandate

5. Pursuant to General Assembly resolution $36 / 151$, voluntary contributions to the Fund are distributed through established channels of assistance, as humanitarian, legal and financial aid to individuals whose human rights have been severely violated as a result of torture and to relatives of such victims.
6. The Fund provides grants to humanitarian organizations which submit projects involving medical, psychological, psychiatric, social, economic or legal assistance to the victims of torture and their relatives. It also funds projects under which health-care professionals receive training, through seminars or specialized conferences, in the treatment of victims of torture.

## B. Administration

7. The Fund is administered, in accordance with the Financial Regulations of the United Nations, by the Secretary-General, assisted by a Board of Trustees composed of five members who possess wide experience in the field of human rights, serve in a personal capacity and are appointed by the Secretary-General
for a renewable three-year term of office on the basis of equitable geographical distribution and in consultation with their Governments.
8. The Board of Trustees is composed of Mr. Jaap Walkate (Netherlands), Chairman, Mrs. Elisabeth Odio Benito (Costa Rica), Mr. Ivan Tosevski (the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia), Mr. Ribot Hatano (Japan) and Mr. Amos Wako (Kenya). It holds an annual two-week session, in the spring, at the United Nations Office at Geneva to consider the large number of projects received. It makes recommendations for funding to the Secretary-General on projects which it considers relevant and in keeping with the Fund's mandate.
9. Once the grants are approved by the Secretary-General, the beneficiary organizations are notified, during the summer, of the grants awarded and of any conditions attached to them. These organizations are required to submit narrative and financial reports by the end of the year on the use of the funds granted. The reports are analysed by the Fund secretariat, then submitted for consideration to the Board of Trustees (for more information, see the preceding report of the Secretary-General to the General Assembly (A/50/512), part IV).
10. Throughout the year, the Fund secretariat receives and analyses information, asks for more information if necessary and prepares summaries and comments for the Board on the beneficiary organizations' administrative and financial management of the projects. Upon request, it assists organizations with project development, collects information on project follow-up and ensures that the grant for each project is used in accordance with the recommendations of the Board of Trustees. The Fund secretariat also follows up, with the competent departments, financial matters related to the management of the Fund.

## III. THE FUND'S FINANCIAL SOURCES

11. The Fund receives contributions from Governments, non-governmental organizations and private individuals. In order to meet requests for financing during the current year, contributions must be paid into the Fund before May, when the annual session of the Board of Trustees is held. Any contribution made after the session is carried over to the following year.
A. Government contributions

## 1. Government pledges

12. Government pledges to the Fund are made either directly to the secretariat or at the United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities, held in New York, or at the annual session of the Commission on Human Rights, held in Geneva.
13. The following pledges were outstanding as at 15 September 1996:

|  | $\frac{\text { United States }}{\frac{\text { dollars }}{}}$ | $\frac{\text { Year }}{1995}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Brazil | 10000 | 1996 |

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| Chile | 4 | 000 |
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| Norway | 77 | 000 |
| Philippines | 10 | 000 |
| Tunisia | 19096 |  |
|  | 600 | 1996 |
|  | 1996 |  |

## 2. Trends in contributions

14. The number of States contributing to the Fund rose from 5 in 1982 to 30 in 1994. Contributions decreased in 1995, as five regular donor countries discontinued their support for the Fund. In 1996, 26 States provided financial support to the Fund, including, for the first time, Saudi Arabia and South Africa.

Table 1. Trend in the number of States contributing to the Fund

| Year | Donor States | Amount of contribution (United States dollars) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1982 | 5 | 410100 |
| 1983 | 8 | 361846 |
| 1984 | 18 | 497900 |
| 1985 | 13 | 515859 |
| 1986 | 21 | 814091 |
| 1987 | 19 | 783602 |
| 1988 | 24 | 974485 |
| 1989 | 20 | 735679 |
| 1990 | 14 | 749923 |
| 1991 | 20 | 1096449 |
| 1992 | 16 | 1204339 |
| 1993 | 27 | 1926198 |
| 1994 | 30 | 3112541 |
| 1995 | 25 | 2829629 |
| 1996 | 26 | 3194396 3/ |

15. Subsequent to the Secretary-General's previous report to the General Assembly at its fiftieth session (A/50/512, annex I), the following Governments made voluntary contributions to the Fund between 15 September 1995 and 16 September 1996.

## Table 2. Government contributions from 15 September 1995 to 16 September 1996

| Government | Contribution |  | Year | Contribution No. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Algeria | 5 | 000.00 | 1995 | 3 |
| Andorra | 2 | 000.00 | 1996 | 2 |
| Argentina | 10 | 000.00 | 1996 | 6 |
| Austria | 7 | 319.00 | 1996 | 12 |
| Canada | 17 | 967.05 | 1996 | 13 |
| Czech Republic | 2 | 500.00 | 1995 | 3 |
| Denmark | 340 | 049.31 | 1996 | 14 |
| France | 97 | 087.37 | 1996 | 18 |
| Germany | 70 | 188.00 a $/$ | 1995 | 13 |
|  | 121 | 621.62 | 1996 | 14 |
| Greece | 10 | 300.00 | 1996 | 13 |
| Ireland | 40 | 978.00 | 1995 | 11 |
|  | 47 | 100.00 | 1996 | 12 |
| Israel | 10 | 000.00 | 1996 | 2 |
| Japan | 100 | 000.00 | 1996 | 10 |
| Kenya | 1 | 000.00 | 1996 | 3 |
| Liechtenstein | 5 | 691.06 | 1996 | 8 |
| Luxembourg | 9 | 490.00 | 1996 | 13 |
| Monaco | 16 | 280.00 | 1996 | 3 |
| Netherlands | 11 | 971.43 | 1996 | 14 |
|  | 287 | 976.00 | 1996 | 15 |
| New Zealand | 16 | 947.50 | 1996 | 11 |
| Republic of Korea | 10 | 000.00 | 1996 | 3 |
| Saudi Arabia | 10 | 000.00 | 1996 | 1 |
| South Africa | 8 | 888.00 | 1996 | 1 |
| Spain | 53 | 954.47 | 1996 | 10 |
| Sri Lanka | 1 | 000.00 | 1996 | 5 |
| Sweden | 445 | 103.86 | 1996 | 10 |
| Tunisia | 1 | 478.00 | 1996 | 6 |
| United Kingdom | 46 | 153.85 | 1996 | 7 |
| United States of America | 1500 | 000.00 | 1996 | 12 |

a/ This amount represents the third instalment of Germany's contribution for 1995.
16. The following should be noted with respect to table 2 :
(a) For the third consecutive year, the United States of America has made a contribution of $\$ 1.5$ million to the Fund. This represents 15 times more than its contribution for previous years;
(b) Saudi Arabia and South Africa contributed to the Fund for the first time;
(c) Andorra and Israel contributed to the Fund for the second time;
(d) Austria, Canada, the Czech Republic, France, Germany, Greece, Japan, New Zealand, Spain, Sweden, Tunisia and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland contribute to the Fund regularly. Denmark, Ireland and Luxembourg, which are also regular donors, increased their contributions, while the Netherlands donated more than twice the amount of its 1994 contribution;
(e) Thus, as at 16 September 1996, there has been a slight increase in contributions as compared to 1995, even though the number of donor States has stabilized. It must be recalled, however, that some contributions were received after 31 May 1996, the last day of the fifteenth session of the Board of Trustees of the Fund, and therefore had to be carried over for use after the Board's next session, in 1997, whereas they normally should have been allocated to the grants paid out in 1996.

## B. Contributions from non-governmental organizations and private individuals

17. Some organizations have contributed to the Fund since its inception. The Friends World Committee for Consultation (Quakers) has provided grants to the Fund for several years. In 1996, this grant amounted to \$156.
18. In addition, in May 1996, the Sharp Corporation of Geneva donated the use of high-speed photocopiers, which in a few hours produced 13,000 photocopies needed to prepare sets of documents for the members of the Board of Trustees at its fifteenth session.
19. It should also be noted that a regular contributor to the Fund, Mr. Girardot (France), donated an amount of $\$ 198$ this year.

## IV. ASSISTED PROJECTS

20. For a detailed description of the guidelines for the processing of funding proposals and assisted projects (selection criteria, submission of grant applications, role of the Fund secretariat and the Board of Trustees, types of applications received), see the previous reports (A/50/512, part IV, and A/48/520, annex I (consolidated report on 10 years (1982-1992) of the United Nations Voluntary Fund for Victims of Torture)).
21. Every year, since its first session, the Board of Trustees has adopted and, where necessary, revised its guidelines on the processing of the funding proposals received and the assisted projects, transmitted its recommendations to the Secretary-General for approval and reported thereon to the General Assembly and the Commission on Human Rights (these guidelines appear in document

A/48/520, annex I, part III and appendices II, IV and V, and annex V), pursuant to the practice established by the United Nations in this field for boards of trustees of human rights assistance funds (ibid., annex III).

## A. Fifteenth session of the Board of Trustees of the Fund

22. The Board of Trustees held its fifteenth session in Geneva from 20 to 31 May 1996. The session included one more working day than in previous years to enable the Board to deal with the overload of work and to provide more information to States on the meeting. A press release concerning this session was issued in Geneva on 18 July 1996. 4/

## 1. Funds available

23. In accordance with the rules governing the Voluntary Fund, 15 per cent of estimated annual expenditures must be earmarked as a reserve for the following year, and 13 per cent is the rate set for programme support costs.
24. After these amounts were deducted, the total amount available in May 1996 for grants to projects to assist victims of torture came to $\$ 2,535,500$ (of which $\$ 100,000$ was earmarked for the emergency fund for crisis situations outside the annual session of the Board of Trustees). The Board made project funding recommendations in the full amount of the funds available.

## 2. Amount of requests for funding

25. The number of requests for funding to assist victims of torture received by the Fund secretariat came to more than $\$ 5$ million in 1996 for 96 projects or subprojects in 54 countries.

## 3. Recommendations of the Board of Trustees

26. On 21 June 1996, the High Commissioner for Human Rights, on behalf of the Secretary-General, approved the Board's recommendations on grants to 96 projects submitted by 92 humanitarian organizations (see table 3). During the session, the Board of Trustees heard, in closed meetings, nine representatives of organizations carrying out 25 different projects. Despite the financial crisis experienced before and during the session of the Board of Trustees, owing to the late payment of pledged amounts and the small number of contributors (26 out of 185 Member States), the Board made an effort to honour every request for funding which met the selection criteria it had established, in a proportion of 30 to 48 per cent of the budget requested, according to the importance of the treatment offered and the number of victims assisted. Priority was given to the organizations which had most fully met the Board's requirements in terms of the submission of narrative and financial reports on the use of previous grants.

Table 3. Geographical distribution of grants recommended in 1996

| Region | Number of countries | Number of projects | Number of organizations | Grants (in United States dollars) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Africa | 15 | 16 | 16 | 396000 |
| North America | 2 | 11 | 10 | 277000 |
| Latin America and the Caribbean | 10 | 18 | 16 | 525000 |
| Asia and the Middle East | 10 | 17 | 17 | 564500 |
| Western Europe | 10 | 26 | 26 | 564500 |
| Central and Eastern Europe | 7 | 8 | 7 | 108500 |
| Total | 54 | 96 | 92 | 2435500 |

27. From the establishment of the Fund until 16 September 1996, 255 project files were started by the Fund secretariat. One organization may submit several projects, which may give rise to a number of subprojects. Some projects received may fall outside the purview of the Fund, fail to meet all the criteria, be abandoned by their sponsors, become impracticable because of armed conflict, or be rejected because the Fund secretariat and the Board of Trustees believe that the organization fails to provide guarantees of proper project implementation. In addition, each year, about a dozen projects are held in abeyance pending the receipt of further information.
28. To monitor the implementation of assisted projects more effectively, inter alia, to obtain more information on a given project and verify the use of the grants, the Fund secretariat collaborates with other competent services of the Centre for Human Rights, the United Nations Secretariat and United Nations agencies, programmes and funds in the field, particularly the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR). UNDP has been directly involved in the implementation of some projects, with the agreement of the managers, and a policy of coordination with UNHCR in the provision of assistance to refugee torture victims has existed since the Fund's establishment.
29. At the end of its fifteenth session, the Board of Trustees held a press conference and, for the first time, an information briefing with States interested in the outcome of its work.
30. Given the large number of applications to review during the session and the lack of time for full treatment of substantive issues (revision of guidelines, fund-raising, etc.), the Board of Trustees recommended, as it had done at its preceding session (A/50/512, para. 39), that the General Assembly should approve the extension of its annual session to a maximum of 10 days.

## V. FUND-RAISING

A. Resolutions of the General Assembly and the Commission on Human Rights
31. In its resolution $36 / 151$ of 16 December 1981 , by which it established the Fund, the General Assembly authorized the Board of Trustees to promote and solicit contributions and pledges. It also requested the Secretary-General to give the Board of Trustees all the assistance it might require and appealed to all Governments to respond favourably to requests for contributions to the Fund.
32. In keeping with the programme of work it outlined in decision 48/431 of 20 December 1993, the General Assembly adopts resolutions concerning the Fund only in even years. Resolution $49 / 176$ of 23 December 1994 is the latest one it has adopted on the matter. The Assembly, in this resolution, and the Commission on Human Rights, in resolution 1996/33 of 19 April 1996, appealed to all Governments, organizations and individuals in a position to do so to respond favourably to requests for contributions to the Fund, if possible on a regular basis and annually before the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Fund. The General Assembly should adopt a resolution concerning the Fund this year.
33. During the fifty-second session of the Commission on Human Rights, the High Commissioner for Human Rights alerted Member States to the precarious financial situation of the Fund and invited them to make contributions before the fifteenth session of the Board of Trustees. 5/ As of 10 April 1996, only one month before the Board's annual session, the Fund had only $\$ 330,000$. A meeting with contributing States, sponsored by the High Commissioner, was also organized for this purpose. A message from the Chairman of the Board of Trustees was distributed at this meeting, requesting, inter alia, that States which had made pledges should pay their contributions before 15 May so that the Board could take them into account during the current year.
34. The Secretary-General's latest report on the Fund to the Commission on Human Rights 6/ contains an assessment of needs in terms of assistance to victims of torture worldwide, prepared by the International Rehabilitation Council for Torture Victims (IRCT, Copenhagen). This assessment, which covers only rehabilitation centres, estimates such needs at $\$ 26,500,000$ in 1996 and $\$ 36,500,000$ in 1997. 7/

## B. Letters to States

35. The Board of Trustees greatly appreciated the initiative of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights in sending, on 20 October 1995, a letter to the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of States that had never contributed to the Fund, inviting them to do so for the first time, and another letter to States that were regular contributors, encouraging them to increase their support (cf. supra, para. 14).
36. At the beginning of the year, the High Commissioner for Human Rights also sent a letter to the Governments which had made pledges, expressing the hope that they would make good on them before the session of the Board of Trustees. Liechtenstein, Luxembourg and Monaco responded positively to this invitation.

## C. Action by non-governmental organizations

37. Some organizations are bringing information on the activities of the fund to the attention of their Governments. The United States organization Center for Victims of Torture, based in Minneapolis, Minnesota, has lobbied the United States Government and members of Congress extensively. For instance, it addressed a letter to the United States Congress asking, inter alia, that the Government's contribution to the Fund should be maintained at $\$ 1.5$ million for 1996.

## Notes

1/ See United Nations Action in the Field of Human Rights (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.88.XIV.2), part I, chap. VIII (D), "Protection against torture and other forms of cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment".

2/ See "Methods of combating torture", Human Rights Fact Sheet No. 4, published by the Centre for Human Rights.

3/ This amount includes contributions for 1996 received between November 1995 and September 1996.

4/ $H R / 96 / 39$.
5/ $H R / 96 / 18$.
6/ E/CN.4/1996/33 and Add.1.
7/ Ibid., annex.
ANNEX I


| Country | Contribution number | Amount (United States dollars) | Date of pledge or payment | Year | Equivalent in local currency |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Algeria | 1 | 5000.00 | 30 December 1994 | 1994 |  |
|  | 2 | 5000.00 | 14 December 1994 | 1995 |  |
|  | 3 | 5000.00 | 30 November 1995 | 1996 |  |
|  | Total | 15000.00 |  |  |  |
| Andorra | 1 | 1000.00 | 10 February 1995 | 1995 | Ptas. 130000 |
|  | 2 | 2000.00 | 8 February 1996 | 1996 |  |
|  | Total | 3000.00 |  |  |  |
| Argentina | 1 | 5000.00 | 6 July 1988 | 1988 |  |
|  | 2 | 4000.00 | 13 February 1989 | 1989 |  |
|  | 3 | 4000.00 | 15 November 1991 | 1990 |  |
|  | 4 | 2996.00 | 15 November 1991 | 1991 |  |
|  | 5 | 2985.00 | 25 April 1995 | 1995 |  |
|  | 6 | $10 \quad 000.00$ | 9 February 1996 | 1996 |  |
|  | Total | 28981.00 |  |  |  |
| Australia | 1 | 12816.00 | 18 December 1984 | 1984 | \$A 15000 |
|  | 2 | 3573.00 | 17 February 1988 | 1988 |  |
|  | 3 | 6212.00 | 30 November 1993 | 1993 |  |
|  | 4 | 3592.00 | 18 May 1994 | 1994 |  |
|  | Total | 26193.00 |  |  |  |
| Austria | 1 | 5000.00 | 19 December 1985 | 1985 |  |
|  | 2 | 5000.00 | 16 October 1986 | 1986 |  |
|  | 3 | 5000.00 | 15 October 1987 | 1987 |  |
|  | 4 | 5000.00 | 9 March 1988 | 1988 |  |
|  | 5 | 5000.00 | 21 February 1989 | 1989 |  |
|  | 6 | 5000.00 | 22 February 1990 | 1990 |  |
|  | 7 | 6000.00 | 21 October 1991 | 1991 |  |
|  | 8 | 10000.00 | 19 October 1992 | 1992 |  |
|  | 9 | 10000.00 | 28 October 1993 | 1993 |  |

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| 10 | 20000.00 | 24 May 1994 | 1994 |  |
| 11 | 20000.00 | 25 May 1995 | 1995 |  |
| 12 | $7 \quad 319.00$ | 13 December 1995 | 1996 |  |
| Total | 103319.00 |  |  |  |
| 1 | 10000.00 | 21 February 1985 | 1984 |  |
| 2 | 10000.00 | 2 February 1987 | 1986 |  |
| 3 | 10000.00 | 30 March 1988 | 1987 |  |
| 4 | 83844.78 | 23 December 1993 | 1993 | BF 3000000 |
| 5 | 92148.68 | 30 December 1994 | 1994 | BF 3000000 |
| 6 | 104420.47 | 27 July 1995 | 1995 |  |
| Total | 310413.93 |  |  |  |
| 1 | 1000.00 | 18 January 1994 | 1993 |  |
| 1 | 5000.00 | 17 June 1985 | 1985 |  |
| 2 | 5000.00 | 21 November 1986 | 1986 |  |
| 3 | 5000.00 | 1 August 1988 | 1988 |  |
| 4 | 5000.00 | 26 April 1993 | 1992 |  |
| Total | 20000.00 |  |  |  |
| 5 a/ | 10000.00 | 20 December 1994 | 1995 |  |
| 6 b/ | 10000.00 | 2 November 1995 | 1996 |  |
| 1 | 1113.77 | 9 August 1984 | 1984 |  |
| 2 | 1344.90 | 15 April 1986 | 1986 |  |
| 3 | 1227.21 | 29 September 1989 | 1989 |  |
| Total | 3685.88 |  |  |  |
| 1 | 7932.00 | 23 November 1983 | 1983 | Can\$ 10000 |
| 2 | 7633.59 | 12 December 1984 | 1984 | Can\$ 10000 |
| 3 | 36496.35 | 15 April 1985 | 1985 | Can\$ 50000 |
| 4 | 7103.00 | 25 February 1986 | 1986 | Can\$ 10000 |
| 5 | 7692.00 | 14 April 1987 | 1987 | Can\$ 10000 |
| 6 | 24390.00 | 15 April 1988 | 1988 | Can\$ 30000 |
| 7 | 25 200.62 | 30 March 1989 | 1989 |  |
| 8 | 25031.73 | 8 March 1990 | 1990 |  |
| 9 | 26652.41 | 20 November 1991 | 1991 |  |


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|  | 500.00 | 31 December 1993 | 1993 |  |
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| 2 | 000.00 | 11 May 1989 | 1988 |  |
| 2 | 300.00 | 8 March 1990 | 1989 |  |
| 2 | 410.00 | 31 January 1991 | 1990 |  |
| 4 | 267.00 | 28 January 1992 | 1991 |  |
| 5 | 350.00 | 28 August 1992 | 1992 |  |
| 5 | 617.00 | 30 December 1993 | 1993 |  |
| 3 | 491.13 | 18 May 1994 | 1994 |  |
| 5 | 633.80 | 18 May 1995 | 1995 |  |
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| Norway (continued) | 7 | 74985.00 | 31 December 1992 | 1992 |  |
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|  | 9 | 95884.69 | 25 May 1994 | 1994 |  |
|  | 10 | 81351.00 | 16 June 1995 | 1995 |  |
|  | Total | 819146.71 |  |  |  |
|  | 11 d/ | 77000.00 | 22 April 1996 | 1996 |  |
| Philippines | 1 b/ | 10000.00 | 2 November 1995 | 1996 |  |
| Portugal | 1 | 10000.00 | 13 January 1995 | 1995 |  |
| Republic of Korea | 1 | 5000.00 | 29 December 1988 | 1988 |  |
|  | 2 | 5000.00 | 22 December 1989 | 1989 |  |
|  | 3 | $10 \quad 000.00$ | 23 April 1996 | 1996 |  |
|  | Total | 20000.00 |  |  |  |
| San Marino | 1 | 2117.31 | 28 February 1984 | 1983 | Lit 3500000 |
|  | 2 | 2258.93 | 24 August 1984 | 1984 | Lit 4000000 |
|  | Total | $4 \quad 376.24$ |  |  |  |
| Saudi Arabia | 1 | 10000.00 | 22 August 1996 | 1996 |  |
| Senegal | 1 | 186.00 | 1 January 1987 | 1987 |  |
| South Africa | 1 | 8888.00 | 31 March 1996 | 1996 |  |
| Spain | 1 | 13176.09 | 25 April 1986 | 1986 | Ptas 2000000 |
|  | 2 | 19196.65 | 7 April 1987 | 1987 |  |
|  | 3 | 22304.50 | 31 March 1988 | 1988 |  |
|  | 4 | 34884.88 | 13 March 1989 | 1989 |  |
|  | 5 | 36730.27 | 14 March 1990 | 1990 |  |
|  | 6 | 34798.64 | 22 August 1991 | 1991 |  |
|  | 7 | 67187.52 | 19 March 1992 | 1992 |  |
|  | 8 | 58500.75 | 30 March 1993 | 1993 |  |
|  | 9 | 48045.46 | 24 February 1994 | 1994 |  |


| Country | Contribution number | Amount <br> (United States dollars) | Date of pledge or payment | Year | Equivalent in local currency |
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| Spain (continued) | 10 | 54660.59 | 5 April 1995 | 1995 | Ptas 7000000 |
|  | 11 | $53 \quad 954.47$ | 18 June 1996 | 1996 |  |
|  | Total | 443439.82 |  |  |  |
| Sri Lanka | 1 | 500.00 | 25 April 1988 | 1988 |  |
|  | 2 | 500.00 | 12 February 1991 | 1990 |  |
|  | 3 | 500.00 | 12 February 1991 | 1991 |  |
|  | 4 | 500.00 | 8 March 1993 | 1992 |  |
|  | 5 | 1000.00 | 27 November 1995 | 1995 |  |
|  | Total | 3000.00 |  |  |  |
| Sweden | 1 | 150000.00 | 14 June 1982 | 1982 |  |
|  | 2 | $60 \quad 790.27$ | 16 January 1984 | 1984 |  |
|  | 3 | 72020.16 | 31 October 1986 | 1986 |  |
|  | 4 | 95655.64 | 1 July 1988 | 1988 |  |
|  | 5 | 169097.00 | 29 November 1991 | 1991 | SKr 1000000 |
|  | 6 | 173631.46 | 20 February 1992 | 1992 | SKr 1000000 |
|  | 7 | 247142.42 | 13 October 1993 | 1993 | SKr 2000000 |
|  | 8 | 376647.83 | 22 October 1993 | 1994 | SKr 3000000 |
|  | 9 | 475367.00 | 11 November 1994 | 1995 | SKr 3500000 |
|  | 10 | 445103.86 | 18 June 1996 | 1996 | SKr 3000000 |
|  | Total | 2265455.64 |  |  |  |
| Switzerland | 1 | 68540.10 | 3 January 1984 | 1984 | SF 150000 |
|  | 2 | 92165.90 | 30 October 1986 | 1986 | SF 150000 |
|  | 3 | 32258.06 | 1 March 1989 | 1989 | SF 50000 |
|  | 4 | 15748.03 | 18 January 1991 | 1990 | SF 20000 |
|  | 5 | 25925.93 | 15 January 1992 | 1991 | SF 35000 |
|  | 6 | 46357.62 | 6 January 1993 | 1992 | SF 70000 |
|  | 7 | 52777.78 | 23 December 1993 | 1993 | SF 76000 |
|  | 8 | 24409.45 | 16 January 1995 | 1995 | SF 31000 |
|  | Total | 358182.87 |  |  |  |
| Togo | 1 | 1540.43 | 15 March 1989 | 1989 |  |
| Tunisia | 1 | 1298.70 | 16 May 1991 | 1991 | Dinars 1000 |
|  | 2 | 1298.70 | 16 April 1992 | 1992 | Dinars 1000 |
|  | 3 | 1948.00 | 15 April 1992 | 1993 | Dinars 1500 |


| Country | Contribution number | Amount (United States dollars) | Date of pledge or payment | Year | Equivalent in local currency |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Tunisia (continued) | 4 | 1753.24 | 9 June 1993 | 1993 |  |
|  | 5 | 1489.57 | 14 November 1994 | 1994 | Dinars 1500 |
|  | 6 | 1478.10 | 29 December 1995 | 1995 | Dinars 1500 |
|  | Total | 9266.31 |  |  |  |
|  | 7 b/ | 1600.00 | 2 November 1995 | 1996 |  |
| Uganda | 1 | 737.00 | 19 July 1994 | 1994 |  |
| United Kingdom of Great Britain and |  |  |  |  |  |
| Northern Ireland | 1 | 12445.00 | 2 October 1984 | 1985 \& 86 | £ 10000 |
|  | 2 | 41987.50 | 20 May 1987 | 1987 \& 88 | £ 25000 |
|  | 3 | 50733.00 | 15 February 1990 | 1989 \& 90 | £ 25000 |
|  | 4 | 42006.58 | 24 September 1991 | 1991 \& 92 | £ 25000 |
|  | 5 | 52238.81 | 15 February 1994 | 1993 \& 94 | £ 35000 |
|  | 6 | 48328.00 | 9 May 1995 | 1995 |  |
|  | 7 | 46153.85 | 5 June 1996 | 1996 | £ 30000 |
|  | Total | 247738.89 |  |  |  |
| United States of America | 1 | 100000.00 | 1 October 1985 | 1985 |  |
|  | 2 | 86000.00 | 1 February 1987 | 1986 |  |
|  | 3 | 86000.00 | 1 June 1987 | 1987 |  |
|  | 4 | 90000.00 | 18 February 1992 | 1988 |  |
|  | 5 | 100000.00 | 18 February 1992 | 1989 |  |
|  | 6 | 100000.00 | 18 February 1992 | 1990 |  |
|  | 7 | 100000.00 | 18 February 1992 | 1991 |  |
|  | 8 | 97000.00 | 23 December 1992 | 1992 |  |
|  | 9 | 500000.00 | 29 March 1993 | 1993 |  |
|  | 10 a/ | 1500000.00 | 20 May 1994 | 1994 |  |
|  | 1st payment | 500000.00 | 18 August 1994 |  |  |
|  | 2nd payment | 1000000.00 | 24 October 1994 |  |  |
|  | 11 | 1500000.00 | 24 January 1995 | 1995 |  |
|  | 12 a/ | 1500000.00 | 26 January 1996 | 1996 |  |
|  | 1st payment | 500000.00 | 4 April 1996 |  |  |
|  | 2nd payment | 1000000.00 | 11 June 1996 |  |  |
|  | Total | 5759000.00 |  |  |  |
| Yugoslavia | 1 | 5000.00 | 18 December 1990 | 1980 e/ |  |

(Footnotes to table)
a/ Pledge made by letter.
b/ Pledge made at the pledging conference for development activities held in New York in November 1995.
c/ Pledge made at the pledging conference for development activities held in New York in November 1994.
d/ Pledge made at a donors' meeting held in Geneva on 22 April 1996.
e/ Pledge made to the United Nations Trust Fund for Chile.

## Humanitarian organizations receiving assistance from the Fund

A. Organizations that have authorized the Fund secretariat to mention their identity, the type of assistance they provide and their geographical coverage

| Organization | Type of assistance provided | Geographical area covered |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Abuelas de la Plaza de Mayo (APM) (Argentina) | Psychological, social, legal | Latin America |
| Amigos de los Sobrevivientes (Oregon, United States) | Medical, psychological, social | Latin America |
| APT (Association pour la prévention de la torture) (Geneva) | Organization of seminars | Europe |
| ATYHA <br> (Centro de Alternativas en Salud Mental) (Asunción) | Medical, psychological, social | Latin America |
| AVRE <br> (Association pour les victimes de la répression en exil) (Paris) | Medical, psychological, social, training of healthcare professionals | Africa, Asia, Europe, Latin America |
| BALAY Incorporated (Quezon City) | Medical, psychological, social | Asia |
| Behandlungszentrum für Folteropfer (Berlin) | Medical, psychological, social, training of healthcare professionals | Africa, Asia, <br> Europe, Latin <br> America, Middle East |
| CAPSDH Ghana <br> (Commission africaine des promoteurs de la santé et des droits de l'homme) (Accra) | Medical, psychological, social | Africa |
| CAPSDH Guinea (Guinea) | Medical, psychological, social | Africa |
| CAPSDH Carvitore (Eritrea) | Medical | Africa |
| CAPSDH <br> (Rwanda) | Medical, psychological | Africa |
| CAPSDH <br> (Togo) | Medical | Africa |


| Organization | Type of assistance provided | Geographical area covered |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| CCVT <br> (Canadian Centre for Victims of Torture) (Toronto) | Medical, psychological | Latin America, Africa, Asia, Middle East |
| CDHES <br> (Comisión de Derechos Humanos de El Salvador) <br> (El Salvador) | ```Medical, psychological, social, legal``` | Latin America |
| CEDAVIDA <br> (Bogotá) | ```Medical, psychological, social``` | Latin America |
| CEFPRODHAC <br> (Centro de Estudios <br> Fronterizos y de Promoción de los Derechos Humanos) <br> (Tamaulipas, Mexico) | Medical, psychological, legal | Latin America |
| ```CIIS (California Institute of Integral Studies) (United States)``` | Medical, psychological | Latin America, Asia |
| CINTRAS <br> (Centro de Salud Mental y Derechos Humanos) (Santiago) | Medical, psychological, social, training of healthcare professionals | Latin America |
| CODEPU <br> (Comité de Defensa de los Derechos del Pueblo) (Santiago) | ```Medical, psychological, social, legal``` | Latin America |
| CODESEDH <br> (Comité para la Defensa de la Salud, la Ética Profesional y los Derechos Humanos) (Buenos Aires) | ```Medical, psychological, social, seminars``` | Latin America |
| ```COMEDE (Comité médical pour les exilés) (Paris)``` | ```Medical, psychological, social, training of health- care professionals``` | Africa, Asia, Latin America |
| ```CVICT (Centre for Victims of Torture) (Kathmandu)``` | ```Medical, psychological, social``` | Asia |
| ```CVT (Centre for Victims of Torture) (Minnesota, United States)``` | ```Medical, psychological, social``` | Worldwide |


| Organization | Type of assistance provided | Geographical area covered |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| EATIP <br> (Equipo Argentino de Trabajo e Investigación Psicosocial) <br> (Buenos Aires) | Medical, psychological, social | Latin America |
| ECSTT <br> (Edmonton Centre for Survivors of Torture and Trauma) <br> (Edmonton, Canada) | Medical, psychological, social | Asia, Eastern Europe, Latin America |
| EXIL <br> (Centre médico-psychosocial <br> pour réfugiés) (Brussels) | Medical, psychological, social, training of healthcare professionals | Africa, Latin America, Asia |
| FASIC <br> (Fundación de Ayuda Social de las Iglesias Cristianas) (Santiago) | Medical, psychological, social, legal, seminars | Latin America |
| FIND <br> (Family of Victims of Involuntary Disappearance) <br> (Philippines) | Psychological | Asia |
| ```FRC (Family Rehabilitation Centre) (Colombo)``` | ```Medical, psychological, social, legal``` | Asia |
| Geneva Initiative on Psychiatry and Ukrainian Psychiatric Association (Amsterdam, Netherlands) | Medical, psychological, social | Eastern Europe |
| HRFT <br> (Human Rights Foundation of Turkey) (Ankara/Istanbul/ Izmir, Turkey) | Medical, psychological | Europe |
| ICAR Foundation <br> (Medical Rehabilitation Centre <br> for Victims of Torture) <br> (Bucharest/Iasi, Romania) | Medical, psychological, social | Eastern Europe |
| Iglesia Metodista <br> (Centro de Salud Mental) <br> (Punta Arenas, Chile) | Medical, psychological | Latin America |
| ```IMA (Indian Medical Association) (India)``` | Training of healthcare professionals | Asia |
| JKC <br> (Jammu and Kashmir Council for <br> Human Rights) (Pakistan) | Medical, psychological, social | Asia |


| Organization | Type of assistance provided | Geographical area covered |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Justice pour Tazmamart (Morocco) | Social | Africa |
| LAPPH <br> (Ligue des anciens prisonniers politiques haïtiens, des amis et parents des disparus) (Port-au-Prince) | Medical, social, legal | Caribbean |
| Mandela Institute (Israel) | Medical, psychological, legal | Middle East |
| Medical Foundation for the Care of Victims of Torture (London) | Medical, <br> psychological, social, <br> training of health- <br> care professionals | Worldwide |
| Medical Foundation Uganda (Kampala) | Medical, psychological, social | Africa |
| Methodist Church of Southern Africa (Durban, South Africa) | ```Medical, psychological, social, legal``` | Africa |
| MIDU <br> (Mutualista Israelita del Uruguay) (Montevideo) | Medical, psychological | Latin America |
| PCATI (Israel) | Legal | Middle East |
| POC <br> (Prisoners of Conscience Appeal Fund) (London) | Social | Middle East, Africa, Eastern Europe |
| Primo Levi (France) | Medical, psychological, social | Europe |
| Psychosocial Centre for Refugees (Cologne, Germany) | Medical, psychological, social | Asia, Africa |
| ```PTV (Programme for Torture Victims) (California, United States)``` | Medical, psychological, social | Latin America, Asia, Africa |
| ```RCT (Rehabilitation Centre for Torture Victims) (Copenhagen)``` | Medical, <br> psychological, <br> seminars, training of health-care <br> professionals | Worldwide |
| RIAPS (Regional Institute for Ambulant Psychosocial <br> Services) (Prague) | Psychological, social | Eastern Europe |


| Organization | Type of assistance provided | Geographical area covered |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| RIVO <br> (Réseau d'intervention auprès des personnes ayant subi la violence organisée) (Montreal, Canada) | Medical, psychological, social | Africa, Latin <br> America, Middle East |
| RTCR <br> (Rehabilitation Centre for Torture and Repression Survivors) (Vilnius) | Medical, psychological, social | Eastern Europe |
| SELDA <br> (Society of Ex-Detainees for Liberation against Detention and for Amnesty) (Manila) | Medical, psychological, social, legal | Asia |
| SOS Torture (Geneva) | Emergency aid for torture victims | Africa, Asia, Europe, Latin America |
| Survivors International of Northern California <br> (California, United States) | Medical, <br> psychological, <br> training of health- <br> care professionals | Africa, Latin <br> America, Asia, <br> Eastern Europe, <br> Middle East |
| Swedish Red Cross (Stockholm/Skovde/Umeå, Sweden) | Medical, <br> psychological, social, <br> training of health- <br> care professionals | Africa, Asia, Eastern Europe, Latin America |
| Taller Julio Cortázar (Córdoba, Argentina) | Medical, psychological, social and legal assistance for children of torture victims | Latin America |
| TNM <br> Tortura Nunca Más (Rio de Janeiro) | Medical, psychological, social | Latin America |
| VAST <br> (Vancouver Association for the Survivors of Torture) <br> (Vancouver, Canada) | ```Medical, psychological, social, legal``` | Africa, Asia, Latin America, Middle East |
| VAT <br> (Voice Against Torture) (Islamabad, Pakistan) | Medical, psychological, social, training of healthcare professionals | Asia, Middle East |


| Organization | Type of assistance <br> provided | Geographical area <br> covered |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| ZEBRA <br> (Zentrum zur <br> sozialmedizinischen, <br> rechtlichen und kulturellen <br> Betreuung von Ausländern <br> und Ausländerinnen) <br> (Graz, Austria) | Medical, <br> psychological, social | Africa, Asia, <br> Eastern Europe, |

## B. Other organizations

Thirty-one other humanitarian and medical and social assistance organizations preferred not to appear on this list. Their types of activity are medical, psychological and social assistance and the training of health-care professionals, and their geographical areas of operation are Africa, Asia, Eastern Europe, Latin America and the Middle East.

