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LETTER DATED 21 MARCH 1975 FROM THE SECRETARY-GENERAL TO
GOVERNMENTS CONTAINING A FURTHER APPEAL FOR VOLUNTARY
CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE FINANCING OF THE UNITED NATIONS
PEACE-KEEPING FORCE IN CYPRUS 1/

I have the honour to address this further appeal to your Government for voluntary contributions to meet the costs of the United Nations Peace-keeping Force in Cyprus (UNFICYP).

On 13 December 1974, in its resolution 364 (1974), a copy of which is attached, 2/ the Security Council extended the stationing in Cyprus of the United Nations Peace-keeping Force for a further period ending 15 June 1975. It may be recalled that UNFICYP was first established in March 1964 and its mandate repeatedly extended by the Council without a dissenting vote.

The basis for the financing of UNFICYP, as decided by the Security Council, is by voluntary contributions. Since 1964, 59 countries have made payments or pledges on that basis. Voluntary contributions paid or pledged to the UNFICYP Special Account since the beginning of the operation, as well as the pledges received so far for the period from 16 June to 15 December 1974, are listed in the attached table. In addition, Governments contributing contingents are continuing to bear at their own expense considerable extra costs incurred as a result of this operation (see foot-note a/ to attached table).

The contributions received from Governments have not been sufficient however to cover expenditures for the maintenance of the United Nations Force. The accumulated deficit for the period through 15 December 1974 stands at \$21.5 million. One contribution and one pledge have been received so far towards the costs, estimated at \$13.7 million, of maintaining the Force during the current six-month period ending 15 June 1975.

As indicated in my last report on the United Nations operation in Cyprus (S/11568, para. 14), the events of July and August 1974 made it necessary for me,

1/ Addressed to all States Members of the United Nations and members of the specialized agencies.

2/ Not reproduced in the present document; for the text see S/RES/364 (1974).

as an emergency measure, to request the troop-contributing Governments to provide reinforcements for the United Nations Force. As a result of those measures, the strength of the Force now stands at 4,126. The increase in strength accounts for the bulk of the sharp increase in the cost estimates for the continued stationing of the Force in Cyprus. In this connexion, I regret to report that voluntary contributions from Governments have failed to keep up with the increased requirements. Unless voluntary contributions from Governments increase above the present rate, the financial position of UNFICYP may be expected to deteriorate further.

I need hardly emphasize that my responsibility in regard to UNFICYP can be discharged only if Governments provide the necessary support for this important United Nations peace-keeping effort. This support is all the more important in view of the decision of the Security Council, in its resolution 367 (1975) of 12 March 1975, that new efforts should be undertaken to assist the resumption of negotiations between the representatives of the two communities with a view to reaching freely a mutually acceptable political settlement. In its resolution, the Council asked me to undertake a new mission of good offices and to place myself personally at the disposal of the parties to facilitate "the resumption, the intensification and the progress of comprehensive negotiations". Any hope of success in this task depends upon peaceful conditions being maintained in the island.

It would therefore seem clear to me that, in view of the joint responsibility of States Members of the United Nations for preserving international peace and security, there is a certain moral obligation for all peace-loving States to provide the Organization with the financial means necessary to maintain its operation in Cyprus.

I am therefore appealing again to the Governments of all States Members of the Organization or members of the specialized agencies to respond promptly and generously with voluntary contributions to provide the financial support that UNFICYP requires in order to carry on its important function.

(Signed) Kurt WALDHEIM
Secretary-General

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PLEDGES AND PAYMENTS TO THE UNFICYP SPECIAL ACCOUNT FOR THE
PERIOD 27 MARCH 1964-15 DECEMBER 1974 AS AT 14 MARCH 1975

(in US dollar equivalent)

<u>Country</u>	<u>26th period</u> <u>16 June 1974 to</u> <u>15 December 1974</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>pledges</u>	<u>Payments</u> <u>received</u>
Australia	50 000	1 819 875	1 819 875 ^{a/}
Austria	-	1 620 000	1 620 000 ^{a/} ^{b/} ^{e/}
Belgium	142 726	2 151 117	2 080 117
Botswana	-	500	500 ^{a/}
Canada	-	-	-
Cyprus	-	965 666	965 666
Denmark	120 000	2 685 000	2 685 000 ^{a/} ^{b/}
Finland	-	600 000	600 000 ^{b/}
Germany, Federal Republic of	500 000	13 500 000	13 500 000
Ghana	-	31 667	31 667
Greece	400 000	12 550 000	12 550 000
Guyana	2 151	11 812	11 812
Iceland	2 379	27 157	27 157
Iran	5 500	56 000	56 000
Ireland	-	50 000	50 000
Israel	-	26 500	26 500
Italy	-	4 041 645	3 845 639
Ivory Coast	-	60 000	60 000
Jamaica	1 834	23 635	23 635
Japan	150 000	1 140 000	1 140 000
Khmer Republic	-	600	600
Laos	-	1 500	1 500
Lebanon	-	1 597	1 297
Liberia	-	10 155	8 655
Libyan Arab Republic	-	30 000	30 000
Luxembourg	-	50 000	50 000
Malawi	-	5 590	5 590
Malaysia	-	7 500	7 500
Malta	-	1 820	1 820
Mauritania	-	4 370	4 370

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<u>Country</u>	<u>26th period</u>		<u>Payments received</u>
	<u>16 June 1974 to</u>	<u>Total pledges</u>	
	<u>15 December 1974</u>		
Morocco	-	20 000	20 000
Nepal	-	400	-
Netherlands	250 000	1 171 000	1 171 000
New Zealand	-	42 000	42 000
Niger	-	2 041	2 041
Nigeria	-	10 800	10 800
Norway	303 038	2 876 606	2 876 606
Oman	2 000	2 000	2 000
Pakistan	3 000	26 791	26 791
Philippines	2 000	7 000	7 000
Republic of Korea	-	16 000	16 000
Republic of Viet-Nam	-	4 000	4 000
Senegal	4 000	4 000	-
Sierra Leone	6 050	40 475	40 475
Singapore	-	5 500	5 500
Somalia	-	1 000	1 000
Sweden	200 000	4 120 000	4 120 000 ^{a/} ^{b/}
Switzerland	166 667	2 525 975	2 525 975
Thailand	-	2 500	2 500
Trinidad and Tobago	-	2 400	2 400
Turkey	-	1 839 253	1 839 253
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	-	35 678 083 ^{c/}	35 678 083 ^{a/} ^{b/}
United Republic of Cameroon	-	4 115	4 115
United Republic of Tanzania	-	7 000	7 000
United States of America	7 200 000	76 100 000 ^{d/}	68 121 177
Venezuela	-	3 000	3 000
Yugoslavia	-	20 000	20 000
Zaire	-	30 000	30 000
Zambia	-	38 000	28 000
	<u>9 511 345</u>	<u>166 073 645</u>	<u>157 811 616</u>

(foot-notes to table)

a/ Indicative figures for the six-month period ended 15 December 1974 of the amounts of extra and extraordinary costs absorbed by Governments providing contingents are as follows: Australia \$0.2 million, Austria \$0.2 million, Canada \$1.6 million,* Denmark \$0.4 million, Sweden \$0.7 million and the United Kingdom \$2.1 million.*

* Exclusive of the normal cost of pay and allowances.

b/ Payment has been made or will be made by means of an offset against the Government's claims for reimbursement of its costs.

c/ Maximum amount pledged.

d/ Maximum amount pledged. The ultimate contribution will be dependent on contributions of other Governments.

e/ In addition, Austria has pledged an amount of \$125,000 for the 27th period, 16 December 1974 to 15 June 1975.
