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LETTER DATED 13 MARCH 1964 FROM THE ACTING PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF AUSTRALIA
ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

I have the honour to confirm, as I have communicated to you earlier, that the Australian Government will make available immediately a sum of £A50,000 (pounds Australian fifty thousand) in response to your request, made in your Note FI 323/3 (18) of 7 March 1964, for voluntary contributions to help meet the costs of a United Nations peace-keeping force in Cyprus.

This agreement to make a voluntary contribution under the provisions of the sixth operative paragraph of Security Council resolution S/5575 of 4 March 1964 is considered to be without prejudice to the principle of collective responsibility for the financing of United Nations peace-keeping operations, as confirmed by the International Court of Justice in its Advisory Opinion of 20 July 1962, and accepted by the General Assembly in resolution 1854 A (XVII) of 19 December 1962; and without prejudice to the Australian Government's desire that a satisfactory permanent solution for the financing of United Nations peace-keeping operations will be adopted by the General Assembly on the recommendation of the Working Group on the Examination of the Administrative and Budgetary Procedures of the United Nations.

I should be grateful if you would circulate this letter as an official document of the Security Council.

Please accept, etc.

(Signed) Dudley McCARTHY
Acting Permanent Representative
of Australia

