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ACTIVITIES AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE TIR EXECUTIVE BOARD (TIREXB)

Administration of the TIRExB and the TIR secretariat

Status report on the accounts for 2008 and 2009

Approval of the final accounts for the year 2008

Note by the secretariat¹

1. The total budget and cost plan for the TIR Executive Board (TIRExB) and the TIR secretariat for the year 2008 including the programme support costs (13 per cent of total budget), amounted to US\$ 1,205,300 (ECE/TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2007/13).
2. This amounted to an operating budget (i.e. net of programme support costs) for the TIRExB and the TIR secretariat in the order of US\$ 1,066,600 in 2008.
3. The final accounts for the year 2008 prepared by the competent Finance Services of the United Nations have been transmitted to the UNECE on 1 May 2009.

¹ This document was submitted late due to delayed inputs from other sources.

4. According to these final accounts, the TIRExB and the TIR secretariat had operating expenditures in 2008 in the order of US\$ 845,555 and programme support costs (13 per cent of operating expenditures) in the amount of US\$ 109,922, total expenditures of US\$ 955,477. The leftover for the year 2008 amounts to US\$ 249,823 (see the following table).

FINAL ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR 2008

**Local Technical Cooperation Trust Fund
Transport International Routier - TIR
Allotment Account No: ZL-RER-8001**

Object of expenditure	Budget 2008 US\$ (1)	Expenditures as at 31-Dec-08 US\$ (2)	Leftover as at 31-Dec-08 US\$ (3) = (1) - (2)
Project personnel	735,400	605,954	129,446
Administrative support personnel	194,200	186,940	7,260
Consultants fees and travel	30,000	9,293	20,707
Travel on official business	35,000	30,999	4,001
Mission costs of Experts	20,000	12,146	7,854
Staff Training	15,000	611	14,389
Office automation & equipment	20,000	0	20,000
Operation and maintenance of equipment	2,000	0	2,000
External contractual services	14,000	577	13,423
General operating expenses	1,000	-965	1,965
Total:	1,066,600	845,555	221,045
Programme Support Cost 13% (of Total)	138,700	109,915	28,785
Grand Total	1,205,300	955,470	249,830

5. Interest and other income for 2008 amounted to US\$ 77,749.
6. The following summary table shows the fund statement as at 31 December 2008.

**FUND STATEMENT
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2008**

Local Technical Cooperation Trust Fund on "Transport International Routier" (TIR) Allotment Account No: ZL-RER-8001		
	Currency	US\$
Unencumbered balance and fund reserve as at 31 December 2007	947'038	
Reserve early termination UNECE/IRU Agreement	305'000	
2008 Contribution received in 2007 (transferred by the IRU on 13/11/2007)	962'000	
Total unencumbered fund balance and reserves as at 31 December 2007		2'214'038
Less: Operationg Expenditures 2008	-845'555	
Less: 13% Programme support costs of Total Expenditures for 2008	-109'915	
Less : Total Expenditures for 2008		-955'470
Plus: Interest Income and Other Miscellaneous Income 2008		77'749
Actual fund balance at 31 December 2008*		1'336'317

* Inclusive of: Provision for termination UNECE/IRU Agreement, Provision for Installation and Separation Costs, Operation Cash Reserve that are forwarded year-to-year.

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