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I. INTRODUCTION

1. By a letter dated 17 August 1984, the Secretary-General invited the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of those States that had participated in the Second International Conference on Assistance to Refugees in Africa to provide information on action which their Governments had taken or proposed to take in response to the refugee needs described in the various projects and programmes presented to the Conference.

2. The replies of Governments received as at 31 October 1984, indicating a pledge or contribution, were reproduced on 5 November 1984 (A/39/402/Add.1, sect. IV). The replies received from Governments since that date are reproduced below.

II. REPLIES RECEIVED FROM GOVERNMENTS

CANADA

[Original: English]

[19 November 1984]

1. Canada has vigorously supported both the First and Second International Conference on Assistance to Refugees in Africa, in order to ease the plight of refugees in Africa. We have associated ourselves with the search for durable solutions and have strongly supported the view that assistance to refugees and returnees in Africa should be development-oriented. As a result of the Second Conference, Canada has announced its commitment to support five of six projects submitted by the Government of Zaire under the emergency relief, care and maintenance programme and a grant of Canadian \$1.7 million to the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees was approved. These projects are:

- (1) Agricultural assistance to Angolan refugees in lower Zaire, to purchase essential tools over the years 1985 and 1986;
- (2) Medical assistance to Angolan refugees in the Cataractes, lower Zaire, 1985 and 1986;
- (3) Social centres and non-formal training for women in Bas Fleuve, 1984;
- (4) Consolidation of co-operative activities of Angolan refugees in Bas Fleuve, 1984;
- (5) Assistance to schools and dispensaries serving Burundi refugees in the Kivu region, 1984.

2. In addition, Canada has expressed interest in 10 projects under the technical and capital assistance programme, subject to further discussion during normal bilateral consultations. These are the following:

- (1) Botswana project 1: establishment of poultry-marketing, infrastructure and training in poultry raising and marketing, Francistown area;
- (2) Botswana project 3: assistance to establish health-screening services at Dukwe;
- (3) Ethiopia: construction of a central storage facility for agricultural input and output, Dire Dawa;
- (4) Ethiopia: support to sheep farming, Jijiga;
- (5) Sudan Red Sea Province project 2: strengthening of health services and expansion of health facilities in refugee-affected areas;
- (6) Sudan Red Sea Province project 3: upgrading and extension of water supply to three "unplanned" refugee areas, Port Sudan;
- (7) United Republic of Tanzania project 5: expansion of two Ministry of Agriculture Training Institutes, Tumbi (Tabora region) and Mubondo (Kiqoma region);
- (8) United Republic of Tanzania project 7: assistance to enhance rural and marketing co-operatives at one of the three refugee settlements;
- (9) Zaire project 8: water supply network rehabilitation and expansion, Kimpese, lower Zaire;
- (10) Zambia project 4: agriculture development, North-Western province.

3. These projects are currently under discussion with the Governments of the countries concerned but their current status varies and it is not possible at this time to give any indication of firm commitment.

4. I believe that the Second Conference succeeded in creating a new spirit of co-operation and readiness to address realistically the problem of refugees in Africa. Canada is firmly committed to an ongoing dialogue and to contributing to the effort to find lasting solutions.

CYPRUS

[Original: English]

[20 November 1984]

The Government of the Republic of Cyprus has decided to make a token contribution in the amount of \$US 3,000 for the Second International Conference on Assistance to Refugees in Africa. This modest contribution is made in a spirit of true solidarity for the refugees in Africa and despite the fact that Cyprus still lives the drama of its own refugees and displaced persons and continues to face

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their many and urgent needs. Cyprus will follow with great interest all developments concerning this grave humanitarian problem and will respond positively and within the limits of its economic capabilities to any appeals for further assistance.

INDIA

[Original: English]

[28 November 1984]

The Permanent Mission of India to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and has the honour to enclose a cheque dated 27 November 1984 for \$US 10,000 representing the Government of India's contribution towards the Second International Conference on Assistance to Refugees in Africa.

OMAN

[Original: English]

[23 November 1984]

I am now in a position to advise you that my Government had already donated \$100,000 for the projects which will be selected by the High Commissioner's Office for the African Refugees, and that this amount has been forwarded to the UNHCR's Office at Geneva.

TURKEY

[Original: English]

[8 November 1984]

I have the honour to inform you that, during the Second International Conference on Assistance to Refugees in Africa, held at Geneva between 9 and 11 July 1984, the Government of Turkey pledged \$US 10,000 to the refugees in Africa.
