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**Comprehensive statistical data on operational activities for
development for 2003****Report of the Secretary-General***Summary*

The present report is submitted in addition to the report of the Secretary-General containing comprehensive statistical data on operational activities for development for 2002 (A/59/84-E/2004/53) and in compliance with General Assembly resolution 35/81 of 5 December 1980. It complements the reports of the Secretary-General on implementation of Assembly resolution 56/201 (A/59/85-E/2004/68 and A/59/387) and provides preliminary statistical data on resources channelled through the organizations of the United Nations system for 2003.

Owing to the unavailability of some data, this addendum is incomplete. A revised addendum will be submitted to the Economic and Social Council at its substantive session of 2005.

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I. Introduction

1. The present document has been prepared in accordance with the requirements contained in paragraph 17 of General Assembly resolution 35/81 of 5 December 1980.

2. It is divided into three parts:

(a) Contributions from Governments and other sources to operational activities of the United Nations system (tables A-1 to A-6);

(b) Expenditures on operational activities of the United Nations system (tables B-1 to B-6);

(c) Procurement activities of the United Nations development system (table C).

Each part consists of a number of tables that may facilitate a study of the subject from different angles and perspectives. Table B-6 also covers expenditures on operational activities of the United Nations system in the least developed countries.

3. The main sources of the statistical tables are the financial statements of the United Nations funds and programmes, including the World Food Programme (WFP), the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) and previous statistical addenda to the reports on operational activities of the United Nations system.

4. Tables A-1, A-5, A-6 and B-1 cover information for 1999-2003; table B-6 covers information for 2001-2003; all other tables deal with 2003 data only.

5. Data on the World Bank Group are not included in the present report; such data may be found in relevant World Bank publications.

II. Note on statistical information

General note

6. Coverage, definition and sources for the figures used in the present report are consistent with those for previous years' reports in this series. Modifications have been made to data presentation, column headings and table titles in the interest of greater clarity and internal consistency. Explanations of special cases or of instances in which table totals do not match are given in the footnotes to tables.

Definitions and explanations

7. Data are derived from the financial statements of the United Nations funds and programmes; see also footnotes to tables A-1 and B-1.

8. Data on contributions refer to actual contributions received in a given calendar year from Governments and other sources by organizations in the United Nations system, and the net profits from the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) greeting card operation. Data on other income related to resource transfers from one agency of the system to another are excluded.

9. Data on expenditures and disbursements represent the support provided by organizations to the programmes and projects of developing countries; administrative, programme and other support costs, where identifiable, are excluded.

10. UNICEF and WFP carry out both development assistance and some activities which are of a humanitarian or emergency character. Because of the difficulty of separate identifications, the related contributions and expenditures are all grouped under development assistance.

11. The expression "United Nations funds and programmes" refers to the funds and programmes listed by the General Assembly for participation in the annual United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities to the resources for operational activities of the organizational entities of the United Nations (see table B-4), and to other United Nations trust funds pertaining to development activities.

12. The designations employed and the presentation of the material in the present report do not imply the expression of any opinion whatsoever on the part of the Secretariat of the United Nations concerning the legal status of any country, territory, city or area or of its authorities, or concerning the delimitation of its frontiers or boundaries.

13. The term "country" as used in the present report also refers, as appropriate, to territories or areas.

14. References to dollars (\$) are to United States dollars unless otherwise stated. A full stop is used to indicate decimals. Two dots (..) indicate that data are not available or are not separately reported. A minus sign (-) indicates a deficit or decrease, except as otherwise indicated. A dash (-) indicates that the amount is nil or negligible or that the item is not applicable. A hyphen (-) between dates representing years signifies the full period involved, including the beginning and end years.

15. Details and percentages in tables do not necessarily add to totals, because of rounding.

16. The following abbreviations have been used:

CEB	United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination
CIS	Commonwealth of Independent States
ECA	Economic Commission for Africa
ECE	Economic Commission for Europe
ECLAC	Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean
ESCAP	Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific
ESCWA	Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia
FAO	Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
GCO	Greeting card operations (UNICEF)
IAEA	International Atomic Energy Agency
ICAO	International Civil Aviation Organization

IFAD	International Fund for Agricultural Development
ILO	International Labour Organization
IMF	International Monetary Fund
IMO	International Maritime Organization
ITC	International Trade Centre UNCTAD/GATT
ITU	International Telecommunication Union
NEX	National execution
RB	Regular budget
UNCDF	United Nations Capital Development Fund
UNCHS	United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (Habitat)
UNCTAD	United Nations Conference on Trade and Development
UN/DESA	United Nations/Department for Economic and Social Affairs
UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
UNEP	United Nations Environment Programme
UNESCO	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
UNFPA	United Nations Population Fund
UNICEF	United Nations Children's Fund
UNIDO	United Nations Industrial Development Organization
UNON	United Nations Office at Nairobi
UNOPS	United Nations Office for Project Services
UPU	Universal Postal Union
WFP	World Food Programme
WHO	World Health Organization
WIPO	World Intellectual Property Organization
WMO	World Meteorological Organization
WTO	World Tourism Organization
XB	Extrabudgetary

17. Explanations for additional terms and definitions are given in the footnotes to tables A-1 and B-1.