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Report of the Secretary-General

Addendum

Comprehensive statistical data on operational activities for development for the year 1996

The present addendum is submitted in compliance with General Assembly resolution 35/81 of 5 December 1980. It complements the report of the Secretary-General on implementation of General Assembly resolution 50/120 (E/1998/48), and provides detailed statistical data on resources channelled through the organizations of the United Nations system for the year 1996.

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I. Introduction

- 1. The present document has been prepared in accordance with the requirements contained in 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-1).

Each part consists of a number of tables that may facilitate a study of the subject from different angles and perspectives. Tables B-1 to B-6 also cover 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, the International Fund for Agricultural Development 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 1992-1996; table B-6 covers information for 1994-1996; all other tables deal with 1996 data only. Graphics covering a 10-year period are used for easier comparisons and broader illustration of the trends examined in tables A-1 and B-1.
- 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 contributions received 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, interest etc. 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. Parentheses () indicate 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:

AGFUND	Arab Gulf Programme for the United Nations Development Organizations
AsDB	Asian Development Bank
CCPOQ	Consultative Committee on Programme and Operational Questions of the ACC
CIS	Commonwealth of Independent States
DDSMS	Department for Development Support and Management Services of the United Nations Secretariat
ECA	Economic Commission for Africa
ECE	Economic Commission for Europe
ECLAC	Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean
EEC	European Economic Community
ESCAP	Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific
ESCWA	Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia
EU	European Union
FAO	Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
GCO	greeting card operations (UNICEF)

IAEA International Atomic Energy Agency

IAPSO Inter-Agency Procurement Services Office of the United Nations

ICAO International Civil Aviation Organization
IDA International Development Association

IFAD International Fund for Agricultural Development

ILO International Labour Organization
IMO International Maritime Organization

ITC International Trade Centre UNCTAD/GATT
ITU International Telecommunication Union

NEC not elsewhere classified
NEX national execution

UNCDF United Nations Capital Development Fund

UNCED United Nations Conference on Environment and Development

UNCTAD United Nations Conference on Trade and Development
UNCHS United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (Habitat)
UNDCP United Nations International Drug Control Programme

UNDP United Nations Development Programme

UNDP a.f. United Nations Development Programme - administered funds

UNEP United Nations Environment Programme

UNESCO United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization

UNFPA United Nations Population Fund

UNFSSTD United Nations Financing System for Science and Technology for

Development

UNHCR Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

UNICEF United Nations Children's Fund

UNIDO United Nations Industrial Development Organization
UNITAR United Nations Institute for Training and Research

UNOPS United Nations Office for Project Services

UNRWA United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in

the Near East

UNSO Office for Desertification and Drought (former United Nations

Sudano-Sahelian Office)

UNTFNRSE United Nations Trust Fund for New and Renewable Sources of

Energy

UNV United Nations Volunteers programme

UPU Universal Postal Union
WFP World Food Programme
WHO World Health Organization

WIPO World Intellectual Property OrganizationWMO World Meteorological OrganizationWTO World Tourism Organization.

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