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United Nations Trust Fund for South Africa

Report of the Secretary-General

- 1. The United Nations Trust Fund for South Africa was established in pursuance of operative paragraph 2 of resolution 2054 B (XX), adopted by the General Assembly on 15 December 1965. It is made up of voluntary contributions from States, organizations and individuals, to be used for grants to voluntary organizations, Governments of host countries of refugees from South Africa and other appropriate bodies, towards:
- (a) Legal assistance to persons charged under discriminatory and repressive legislation in South Africa;
- (b) Relief for dependants of persons persecuted by the Government of South Africa for acts arising from opposition to the policies of apartheid;
 - (c) Education of prisoners, their children and other dependants;
 - (d) Relief for refugees from South Africa.
- 2. In resolution 2202 B (XXI), adopted on 16 December 1966, the General Assembly took note of the report of the Secretary-General to which was annexed the report of the Committee of Trustees of the United Nations Trust Fund for South Africa, and stated in the operative part:
 - "1. <u>Commends</u> the Secretary-General and the Committee of Trustees of the United Nations Trust Fund for South Africa for their efforts to promote the Fund;

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Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-first Session, Annexes, agenda item 34, document A/6494.

- "2. Expresses its appreciation to the Governments, organizations and individuals that have contributed to the Fund;
- "3. Renews its appeal to Governments, organizations and individuals to contribute generously to the Fund."
- 3. Since the above-mentioned report of the Secretary-General, the Trust Fund has received contributions from sixteen Governments of Member States, totalling \$228,770, as follows:

| Byelorussian SSR | \$ 1,500 |
|------------------|----------|
| Cyprus | 279 |
| Czechoslovakia | 2,000 |
| Denmark | 43,306 |
| Guinea | 1,000 |
| India | 3,325 |
| Iran | 5,000 |
| Ireland | 1,000 |
| Italy | 2,500 |
| Jamaica | 980 |
| Mongolia | 1,000 |
| Norway | 10,000 |
| Sweden | 98,380 |
| Ukrainian SSR | 3,500 |
| USSR | 15,000 |
| United Kingdom | 40,000 |

- 4. By a communication dated 24 January 1967, the Permanent Representative of Hungary transmitted to the Secretary-General "a letter of H.E. Mr. Otto Winzer, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the German Democratic Republic, informing him that the Government of the German Democratic Republic has the intention to contribute 5,000 dollars to the United Nations Trust Fund for South Africa." The aforementioned contribution was received on 5 May 1967.
- 5. Further, the Trust Fund has received a contribution of \$50,000 from the African Aid and Legal Defence Fund, and a contribution of \$25 from the Transradio News Agency.

6. In addition, the following pledges from Governments are outstanding:

| Austria | \$ 5,000 |
|-------------|-----------------------|
| Bulgaria | 1,000 |
| Cambodia | 1,000 |
| Finland | 10,000 |
| France | 30,000 ² / |
| Nepal | 500 |
| Philippines | 3,500 |
| Sudan | 1,500 |
| Tunisia | 3,000 |
| Venezuela | 1,000 |

- 7. In accordance with the decisions of the Committee of Trustees, five further grants, totalling \$114,000, have been made from the Trust Fund.
- 8. The total of contributions to the Trust Fund from its inception is \$430,068 and the total amount of grants is \$308,400, leaving a balance of \$121,668.
- 9. The Secretary-General has the honour to transmit herewith in annex the report submitted to him by the Committee of Trustees of the United Nations Trust Fund for South Africa on its work since the last report.

^{2/} Earmarked for items (a) and (c) of the terms of reference of the Trust Fund.

ANNEX

Report of the Committee of Trustees of the United Nations Trust Fund for South Africa

- 1. At its twenty-first session, the General Assembly took note of the last report of the Committee of Trustees and, in resolution 2202 B (XXI) of 16 December 1966, commended the Secretary-General and the Committee for their efforts to promote the Fund, expressed appreciation to the donors and renewed its appeal for generous contributions to the Fund. Moreover, in resolution 2144 A (XXI) of 26 October 1966, the Assembly appealed to all States, governmental and non-governmental organizations, and individuals:
 - "(a) To support the United Nations Trust Fund for South Africa and voluntary organizations engaged in providing relief and assistance to victims of colonialism and apartheid;
 - "(b) To encourage judicial associations and other appropriate organizations, and the public in general, to provide such relief and assistance."
- 2. The Committee of Trustees has continued its work in 1967 along the lines indicated in its last report. During the year, H.E. Mr. Dey Ould Sidi Baba, the member nominated by Morocco, was replaced by H.E. Mr. Ahmed Taibi Benhima; and Mr. Ahmed Ali, the member nominated by Pakistan, was replaced by Mr. S.A. Pasha.
- 3. The Committee has been greatly heartened in the discharge of its terms of reference by the commendation of General Assembly resolution 2144 A (XXI) and 2202 B (XXI), and by support and encouragement from other United Nations organs and other bodies.
- 4. The Special Committee on the Policies of Apartheid of the Government of the Republic of South Africa, in its appeal of 3 February 1967 to Governments and organizations in connexion with the commemoration of the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination on 21 March, suggested, among activities which might be undertaken by them, contributions to "the United Nations Trust Fund for South Africa and the United Nations Education and Training Programme for South

a/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-first Session, Annexes, agenda item 34, document A/6494.

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Africans, and to various non-governmental funds such as the International Defence and Aid Fund, the Southern African Education Fund and others which are designed to provide assistance and relief to the victims of apartheid."

- 5. The Commission on Human Rights, in resolution 2 (XXIII) of 6 March 1967, appealed to all Member States, governmental, non-governmental and private organizations, as well as private individuals, to support the United Nations Trust Fund for South Africa through financial and other aids. It also recommended that the Secretary-General, in consultation with Member States, arrange to provide facilities whereby registers for the receipt of contributions from all sources, private and public, for the victims of the policies of apartheid and racism in South Africa may be opened in each country.
- 6. The International Seminar on Apartheid, Racial Discrimination and Colonialism in Southern Africa, held in Kitwe, Zambia, from 25 July to 4 August 1967, strongly supported the United Nations Trust Fund for South Africa.
- 7. Since the last report of the Committee, the Trust Fund has received contributions totalling \$228,770 from the Governments of sixteen Member States, and contributions totalling \$55,025 from other donors.
- 8. The Committee of Trustees wishes to express its satisfaction at the increase in the amount of contributions and its great appreciation to the donors. It notes, however, that the number of contributions from Governments of Member States is slightly less than in 1966 and hopes that a much larger number of Member States will respond to the appeal of the General Assembly, even if some of the contributions are unavoidably modest, and thereby show their strong support for the purposes of the Trust Fund. The Committee notes that a number of Member States have indicated, in response to General Assembly resolution 2144 (XXI) and the Commission on Human Rights resolution 2 (XXIII), that they would encourage contributions by organizations and individuals in their countries toward relief and assistance to victims of apartheid.
- 9. The Committee of Trustees has always been conscious that the Trust Fund was designed to supplement direct contributions to voluntary organizations engaged in

 $[\]underline{b}$ / See documents A/6829 and A/6830.

relief and assistance to South Africans and not to replace or divert such contributions.

10. The Committee has noted with satisfaction the communications to it and other available information on direct contributions by Member States to voluntary organizations and took them into account in the discharge of its terms of reference. The following were brought to its notice.

<u>Denmark</u>: The Danish Government made a contribution of 300,000 Danish kronor to voluntary organizations in 1966-67, which was allocated as follows:

| International Defence and Aid Fund | 100,000 |
|------------------------------------|---------|
| World University Service | 100,000 |
| Committee in Swaziland (for | · |
| fellowships, etc.) | 55,000 |
| World Council of Churches | 45,000 |

Another contribution of 400,000 Danish kronor was made in fiscal year 1967-68.

Jamaica: The Government of Jamaica made a contribution of £350 to the International Defence and Aid Fund.

Norway: The Norwegian Government contributed 30,000 Norwegian kroner to the International Defence and Aid Fund on 26 February 1967 through the Norwegian organization, The Emergency Fund for South Africa.

<u>Poland</u>: In pursuance of the decision noted in the previous report, to make a contribution in kind equivalent to \$1,500, the Government of Poland forwarded medicaments and clothing in April 1967 to the International Refugee Council of Zambia, Lusaka.

Romania: The Government of Romania decided to make a voluntary contribution of Romanian medicines, equivalent to \$2,000. This contribution would be made to the International Defence and Aid Fund.

Sweden: From July 1966 to July 1967, the Government of Sweden gave a contribution of \$234,982 to voluntary organizations engaged in providing relief and assistance to victims of colonialism and apartheid. Early in March 1967, it decided to make a contribution of \$50,000 to the International Defence and Aid Fund. Further, in commemoration of the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination on 21 March 1967, it made a further grant of \$50,000 to the International

Defence and Aid Fund, on the understanding that a large part of the contribution would be used for support of the Fund's Campaign for the Release of Political Prisoners in South Africa. In April 1967, it made a contribution of 100,000 Swedish kronor to Amnesty International, London, for the purpose of assisting victims of racial discrimination pursued in South Africa, South West Africa and Southern Rhodesia.

11. Since the last report, the Committee of Trustees has decided on five grants from the Trust Fund for the purposes within its terms of reference, as follows:

| Grant No. | Date of <u>decision</u> | Amount | Purposes |
|-----------|----------------------------|----------|------------|
| 8 | 28 March 1967 | \$28,000 | (a) to (d) |
| 9 | ll July 1967 | 26,000 | (d) |
| 10 | ll July 1967 | 10,000 | (c) |
| 11 | 11 July 1967 | 25,000 | (a) |
| 12 | ll July 1967 | 25,000 | (a) |
| 13 | 11 October 1967 | 84,000 | (a) to (d) |

- 12. In making these grants the Committee took note of the desires of some donors wishing to earmark their contributions.
- 13. The Committee has also earmarked the following amounts for grants to voluntary organizations, subject to the conclusion of the necessary formalities:

| No. | Amount | Purposes |
|-----|----------|-------------|
| 1 | \$52,000 | (d) |
| 5 | 50,000 | (b) and (c) |
| 3 | 14,000 | (a) to (d) |

- 14. The Committee hopes that the General Assembly will renew its appeal to Member States, organizations and individuals to make generous new or additional contributions as soon as possible.
- 15. In conclusion, the Committee wishes to express its deep appreciation to the Secretary-General for his unfailing encouragement and assistance in its work. It also wishes to express its appreciation to the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and to the voluntary organizations concerned for their co-operation.