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Tēnā koe

I refer to your email of 7 December 2023 in which you request the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

A detailed breakdown of New Zealand's financial contributions to each United Nations (UN) agency for the calendar years January to December 2022, and January to December 2023. This should include but not be limited to regular assessed contributions and any voluntary contributions.

On 25 January 2024, the timeframes for responding to your request were extended by an additional 20 working days because responding to your request necessitated the review of a large quantity of information (section 15A(1)(b) of the OIA refers).

On 26 February 2024, you were advised that a decision had been made on your request. Thank you for your patience.

We have interpreted your request to be for funding provided by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (the Ministry) to core agencies within the United Nations. Please find the information relevant to your request attached noting that no information is being withheld.

As part of New Zealand's membership of the United Nations (UN), the Ministry pays an assessed contribution – the mandatory dues that all 193 Member States are obliged pay to be a member of the UN. The Ministry reports annually on our financial contributions to the UN in our Annual Report, which is published on the Ministry's website here:

www.mfat.govt.nz/en/about-us/mfat-annual-reports/.

The amount each Member State must pay is calculated using a complex formula that considers a country's wealth, population, and debt burden. Assessed contributions fund the day to day running of the UN and peacekeeping operations. Assessed contributions cannot be arbitrarily withdrawn or reduced by a Member State.


The Ministry also reports on its international development cooperation (IDC) contributions to United Nations Agencies as assessed development and humanitarian funding in the Annual Report(s). Contributions to UN agencies include core, programme, and project funding, which helps agencies deliver global development and humanitarian outcomes. New Zealand works with other Member States to closely monitor agencies' performance and governance, and we report on the progress towards our multilateral development goals in our annual reports.

Please note that some engagement with UN agencies is led by other New Zealand agencies, and contributions will be reported in their annual financial reporting and therefore are not included in this response.

Please note that it is our policy to proactively release our responses to official information requests where possible. Therefore, our response to your request (with your personal information removed) may be published on the Ministry website: www.mfat.govt.nz/en/about-us/contact-us/official-information-act-responses/

If you have any questions about this decision, you can contact us by email at: DM-ESD@mfat.govt.nz. You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision by contacting www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Nāku noa, nā

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'SC' followed by a flourish.

Sarah Corbett
for Acting Secretary of Foreign Affairs and Trade

Payments made to the United Nations Agencies 2022 & 2023

Row Labels	Sum of NZ\$ Amount
2022	163,105,646.61
AFRICAN UNION-UN HYBRID OPERATION IN DARFUR	185,429.44
FOOD AGR ORG - TF	3,250,750.19
MINUSMA CONTRIBUTIONS	8,823,234.30
TECHNICAL ASSESSMENT MISSION TO THE AFRICAN UNION	3,765,150.85
UN FORCE IN CYPRUS (UNFICYP) CONTRIBUTIONS ACCOUNT	213,033.51
UN GENEVA GENERAL FUND (USC41)	13,681.03
UN GENEVA GENERAL FUND CH85	43,522.41
UN MISSION FOR THE REFERENDUM IN WESTERN SAHARA	425,265.87
UN MISSION IN KOSOVO (UNMIK) CONTRIBUTIONS ACCT	292,852.55
UN MULTIDIMENSIONAL INTEGRATED STABILIZATION MISSI	8,107,225.96
UN OFFICE FOR PROJECT SERVICES (UNOPS)	133,082.82
UN ORGANIZATION MISSION DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC CONGO	4,779,709.94
UNDP CONTRIBUTIONS ACCOUNT	60,226.85
UNDP MULTI-PARTNER TRUST FUND OFFICE-000	16,282,000.00
UNDP MULTI-PARTNER TRUST FUND OFFICE-600	3,000,000.00
UNDP MULTI-PARTNER TRUST FUND OFFICE	4,453,670.69
UNEP TRUST FUND	60,000.00
UNESCO	150,000.00
UNFPA CONTRIBUTIONS ACCOUNT	7,100,000.00
UNHCR VOLUNTARY FUNDS	9,000,000.00
UNICEF - UNITED NATIONS CHILDREN'S FUND	12,557,109.00
UNITED NATIONS (CHUB4)	22,000.00
UNITED NATIONS (CHUB7)	38,341.32
UNITED NATIONS (CHUB8)	557,189.29
UNITED NATIONS (UNCH8)	957,172.00
UNITED NATIONS DISENGAGEMENT OBSERVER FORCE(UNDOF)	460,180.98
UNITED NATIONS ENTITY FOR GENDER EQUALITY AND	2,500,000.00
UNITED NATIONS GENERAL FUND	13,510,699.54
UNITED NATIONS GENERAL TRUST FUND ACCOUNT	208,200.00
UNITED NATIONS GENERAL TRUST FUND	8,034,490.05
UNITED NATIONS GENEVA GENERAL FUND-601	1,000,000.00
UNITED NATIONS GENEVA GENERAL FUND-CHF	3,000,000.00
UNITED NATIONS GENEVA GENERAL FUND	11,500,000.00
UNITED NATIONS INTERIM FORCE IN LEBANON (UNIFIL)	3,609,146.37
UNITED NATIONS INTERIM SECURITY FORCE IN ABYEI	1,997,925.65
UNITED NATIONS MONUSCO CONTRIBUTIONS	2,553,182.09
UNITED NATIONS OFFICE FOR PROJECT SERVICES (UNOPS)	72,537.36
UNITED NATIONS OFFICE ON DRUGS AND CRIME	1,000,000.00
UNMISS - CONTRIBUTIONS	8,248,360.51
UNOG GENERAL FUND	5,276.04
UNRWA	1,000,000.00
WORLD FOOD PROGRAMME	5,400,000.00
WORLD FOOD PROGRAMME LONDON DONATION ACCOUNT	14,735,000.00
2023	184,648,601.46
FOOD AGR ORG - TF	3,220,611.92
MINUSMA CONTRIBUTIONS	2,753,830.76
TECHNICAL ASSESSMENT MISSION TO THE AFRICAN UNION	3,035,758.86
UN CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT FUND (UNCDF)-000	3,000,000.00
UN FORCE IN CYPRUS (UNFICYP) CONTRIBUTIONS ACCOUNT	163,788.37
UN GENEVA GENERAL FUND (USC41)	10,313.90
UN MISSION FOR THE REFERENDUM IN WESTERN SAHARA	346,343.90
UN MISSION IN KOSOVO (UNMIK) CONTRIBUTIONS ACCT	204,870.27
UN MULTIDIMENSIONAL INTEGRATED STABILIZATION MISSI	6,405,390.88
UN OFFICE FOR PROJECT SERVICES (UNOPS)	540,403.04
UNDP CONTRIBUTIONS ACCOUNT	2,837,733.38
UNDP MULTI-PARTNER TRUST FUND OFFICE-000	16,006,132.00
UNDP MULTI-PARTNER TRUST FUND OFFICE	11,527,157.14
UNDP REPRESENTATIVE IN MEXICO	11,749.83
UNEP TRUST FUND	10,000.00
UNFPA CONTRIBUTIONS ACCOUNT	12,400,000.00
UNHCR VOLUNTARY FUNDS	10,000,000.00
UNICEF - UNITED NATIONS CHILDREN'S FUND	18,252,894.00
UNITED NATIONS (CHUB4)	20,000.00
UNITED NATIONS (CHUB7)	40,787.35
UNITED NATIONS (UNCH8)	1,705,792.00
UNITED NATIONS (USCH5)	24,867.37

UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME-000	220,000.00
UNITED NATIONS DISENGAGEMENT OBSERVER FORCE(UNDOF)	385,842.32
UNITED NATIONS ENTITY FOR GENDER EQUALITY AND	10,262,347.46
UNITED NATIONS GENERAL FUND	14,023,455.67
UNITED NATIONS GENERAL TRUST FUND ACCOUNT	15,000.00
UNITED NATIONS GENERAL TRUST FUND	7,566,449.39
UNITED NATIONS GENEVA GENERAL FUND-601	3,000,000.00
UNITED NATIONS GENEVA GENERAL FUND	11,750,000.00
UNITED NATIONS INTERIM FORCE IN LEBANON (UNIFIL)	2,923,983.38
UNITED NATIONS INTERIM SECURITY FORCE IN ABYEI	1,979,854.96
UNITED NATIONS MEMORIAL CEMETERY	5,866.46
UNITED NATIONS MONUSCO CONTRIBUTIONS	5,708,368.07
UNITED NATIONS OFFICE FOR PROJECT SERVICES (UNOPS)	274,000.00
UNMISS - CONTRIBUTIONS	6,265,008.78
UNRWA	1,000,000.00
WORLD FOOD PROGRAMME	20,750,000.00
WORLD FOOD PROGRAMME LONDON DONATION ACCOUNT	6,000,000.00
Grand Total	347,754,248.07

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