



In addition, as a member of each of the 13 Specialized Agencies of the United Nations and of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), Canada has been assessed and made contributions since their inception. Excluding its participation in the United Nations financial institutions (the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development [IBRD], the International Monetary Fund [IMF], the International Finance Corporation [IFC], and the International Development Association [IDA]), Canada has contributed \$108.9 million to the IAEA and the other nine Specialized Agencies. In summary, Canada's total contributions to the United Nations and its related bodies, the IAEA and the United Nations Association in Canada (UNAC), approximated \$507.1 million during the period March 31, 1945, to March 31, 1971.

The efforts of the United Nations to maintain peace and security are well known to the general public. Regrettably, insufficient public attention is paid to the less sensational but nonetheless constructive work of the United Nations Special Programs (UNRWA, UNHCR, UNICEF, UNDP and the UN/FAO World Food Program), as well as the related programs of the Specialized Agencies and the IAEA. In a summary perspective, these efforts constitute an impressive endeavour to conquer those timeless enemies of mankind -- illiteracy, hunger and disease -- thereby simultaneously providing a significant contribution to political and economic stability in the developing areas of the world.

A short description follows of the activities of the United Nations in peacekeeping and in social and economic development. A statement of Canada's contributions to these important activities (during the period March 31, 1945, to March 31, 1971) is included as Appendix A. Appendix B contains a table listing Canada's contributions to the United Nations system during the fiscal year 1970-71, and Appendix C compares the total contributions of the ten major contributing countries to the voluntary special programs of the United Nations.

Peacekeeping and United Nations Finances

Article 1 of the United Nations Charter states that the purpose of the United Nations is "to maintain international peace and security" and to take "collective measures for the prevention and removal of threats to the peace, and for the suppression of acts of aggression". Since 1945, the United Nations has been involved in military operations in:

- Korea:* Unified Command in Korea, 1950-53.
- Pakistan and India:* United Nations Military Observer Group in India and Pakistan (UNMOGIP), 1949 to the present.
United Nations India-Pakistan Observer Mission (UNIPOM), 1965-66.
- Middle East:* United Nations Truce Supervision Organization (UNTSO), 1948 to the present.
United Nations Emergency Force (UNEF), 1957-67.

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