

social fields, is given below. A statement of Canada's contributions to these important activities is included as Appendix A. Appendix B contains a table showing the pledges made to the operations of the five United Nations special programmes by some of the major contributors to these programmes.

Peace-keeping and UN Finances

Article I of the United Nations Charter states, in part, that the purpose of the United Nations is "to maintain international peace and security, and to that end to take effective 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 peace-keeping operations in Pakistan and India (United Nations Military Observer Group in India and Pakistan (UNMOGIP), 1949 —), the Middle East, (the United Nations Emergency Force (UNEF), and the United Nations Truce Supervisory Organization (UNTSO), 1956 -), Lebanon (United Nations Observation Group in Lebanon, (UNOGIL), 1958), and the Congo (ONUC, 1960 —). In addition, in 1950, the United Nations quickly stepped in to resist Communist aggression in Korea and, through the efforts of the United Nations Unified Command (1950-53), the Communists were driven out of territory of the Republic of South Korea. Canada has firmly supported the United Nations activities in maintaining international peace and Canadian military personnel have seen service with the United Nations in Korea, the Middle East, India and Pakistan and the Congo. At present, about 1,300 Canadian military personnel are serving in UNEF, ONUC, UNTSO, and UNMOGIP.

In addition to providing military personnel for these United Nations peace-keeping operations, Canada, as one of the three supervisory members of the International Commissions for Supervision and Control in Indochina along with India and Poland, has maintained military and civilian personnel in Indochina since 1954. During the period 1954-61, Canada has contributed approximately \$1 million as its share of the costs of this operation, which, although not a United Nations peace-keeping operation, has been of considerable assistance in maintaining international peace and security in the troubled countries of Laos, Vietnam and Cambodia.

Until 1956, virtually all member states regularly contributed their share of the assessed costs of all United Nations peace-keeping operations. With the establishment of UNEF in 1956, peace-keeping costs rapidly increased. In 1960, a further increase occurred when the United Nations Security Council declared that the situation in the Congo was a threat to international peace and security and, at the request of the Congolese Government, established a United Nations force (ONUC) in the Congo to maintain order. The costs of ONUC have been considerably greater than those of UNEF (\$120 million a year compared to \$20 million a year). In each instance, arguments were raised by certain countries that the costs of these peace-keeping operations were not the collective responsibility of member states, while other countries felt that the costs should not be borne by