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ACTIVITIES AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE TIR EXECUTIVE BOARD (TIRExB)

Administration of the TIRExB

Approval of the final accounts for the year 2000

Note by the TIR Secretary

1. The total budget and cost plan for the TIR Executive Board (TIRExB) and the TIR secretariat for the year 2000, including the Operating Reserve Fund (15% of total budget) and the programme support (13% of total budget), amounted to US\$ 924,672.
2. This amounted to an operating budget for the TIRExB and the TIR secretariat in the order of US\$ 722,400 in 2000.
3. The final accounts for the year 2000 prepared by the competent Finance Services of the United Nations have been transmitted to the UN/ECE on 22 March 2001.

4. According to these final accounts, the TIRExB and the TIR secretariat had operating expenditures in 2000 in the order of US\$ 368,955 and programme support costs (13% of operating expenditures) in the order of US\$ 47,964 for a grand total of US\$ 416,919. The positive balance to be carried over to the year 2001 amounts to US\$ 511,656^{1/}. Two summary tables showing the financial position and the contributions and status of funds as of 31 December 2000 are attached to this document.

5. Taking account of the approved budget for the TIRExB and the TIR secretariat for the year 2001 (TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/59, paras. 32-35; TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2000/11 and Corr.1), the transmission of the requested net resources for 2001 in the order of US\$ 600,000 by the IRU on 17 November 2000 and of interest income for the year 2000 in the order of US\$ 52,788, funds in the order of US\$ 132,115 (US\$ 188,602 minus deductions for the Reserve Fund and for Programme Support Costs) are not yet allotted for the year 2001.

6. The not yet allotted funds for the year 2000 will contribute to financing the budget of the TIRExB and the TIR secretariat for the year 2002.

7. The TIRExB, at its tenth session, has endorsed its final accounts for the year 2000 prepared by the competent Finance Services of the United Nations. The Board has also approved the proposal by the TIR Secretary to allot US\$ 10,000 to budget line "Sundry" to cover possible interpretation and translation expenses, in accordance with the request of the TIRExB at its ninth session (23 February 2001) (TIRExB/REP/2001/9, para. 11).

^{1/} This amount includes US\$ 62,538 of Operating Reserve Fund (15% of grand total expenditures).

**TIR EXECUTIVE BOARD (TIRExB)
TIR SECRETARIAT**

Annual Report and Final Accounts for the year 2000

Prepared by the UN/ECE and TIR secretariats

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