

THE PRESIDENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

23 October 2018

Excellency,

I have the honour to bring to your attention the enclosed letter and two annexes provided by the Secretary-General, upon my request, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 60/180.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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María Fernanda Espinosa Garcés

All Permanent Representatives and Permanent Observers to the United Nations New York



17 October 2018

Dear Madam President,

I am writing with reference to your letter dated 5 October 2018, in which you asked me to provide, in accordance with paragraph 4 (c) and (d) of General Assembly resolution A/RES/60/180, two lists as follows:

• The top ten providers of assessed contributions to United Nations budgets and of voluntary contributions to United Nations funds, programmes and agencies, including a standing peacebuilding fund; and

• The top ten providers of military personnel and civilian police to United Nations missions based on the average monthly contributions of each provider in the previous three calendar years.

I am pleased to attach two notes transmitting both lists, contained in annexes I and II to this letter, respectively. The notes clarify the sources of the data and the methodology used to establish the ranking.

Please accept, Madam President, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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Her Excellency Ms. María Fernanda Espinosa Garcés President of the General Assembly New York

Annex I

Secretary-General's Note

Top Ten Providers of Assessed Contributions to United Nations Budgets and of Voluntary Contributions to United Nations Funds, Programmes and Agencies, including the standing Peacebuilding Fund

	Total US\$	3 year average	2015	2016	2017
1	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	10,149,425,929	10,231,008,126	9,719,045,633	10,498,224,028
2	UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND	3,612,617,794	3,632,073,736	3,179,221,355	4,026,558,291
3	GERMANY	3,370,951,207	2,329,759,924	3,444,571,551	4,338,522,145
4	JAPAN	2,770,922,907	2,973,439,648	2,833,519,068	2,505,810,006
5	SWEDEN	1,427,933,063	1,387,238,430	1,374,570,037	1,521,990,721
6	CANADA	1,372,904,244	1,376,685,015	1,624,434,246	1,117,593,469
7	CHINA	1,236,248,432	938,576,433	1,346,961,807	1,423,207,056
8	NORWAY	1,159,852,411	1,117,538,724	1,115,779,150	1,246,239,360
9	FRANCE	1,077,592,833	1,180,768,825	1,040,106,133	1,011,549,896
10	NETHERLANDS	1,062,454,534	1,146,928,673	1,063,032,299	977,402,631

Explanatory Note:

General Assembly Resolution A/RES/60/180 requests the Secretary-General to compile a list of the top ten providers of assessed and voluntary financial contributions to the United Nations, based on the average annual contributions in the previous three calendar years. The President of the General Assembly requested the Secretary-General on 5 October 2016 to provide this list.

The table provided above summarizes data streams comprised of returns from the following categories and organizations: United Nations assessed contributions, United Nations voluntary contributions, United Nations Secretariat, DPKO, FAO, IAEA, ICAO, IFAD, ILO, IMO, IOM, ITC, ITU, PAHO, UNAIDS, UNDP, UNEP, UNESCO, UNFPA, UN-HABITAT, UNHCR, UNICEF, UNIDO, UNITAR, UNODC, UNOPS, UNRWA, UNU, UPU, UNWOMEN, UNWTO, WFP, WHO, WMO, WIPO, WTO, global funds administered by UNDP's Multi-Partner Trust Fund Office.

For 2017, amounts include assessed and voluntary contributions to the following additional organizations for which statistical data were available: CTBTO, ICC, UNCDF, UNFCCC, UNRISD, UNSSC.

As provided for in General Assembly resolution A/RES/60/180, any contributions received towards the Peacebuilding Fund in the period 2015-2017 have also been included.

This list reflects all significant financial contributions to the United Nations, amounting to over US\$ 81 billion for the top ten contributors over the qualifying three-year period, namely 2015, 2016 and 2017. Information was solicited from existing data sources managed by the Chief Executives Board and UNDP's Multi-Partner Trust Fund Office.

A gap in the average annual contribution of approximately US\$ 126 million separates the eleventh from the tenth-largest contributor.

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Annex II

Secretary-General's Note

Top Ten of Providers of Military Personnel and Police to United Nations Missions

Rank	Country	Average Monthly Contribution			Average Contribution 2015, 2016 and 2017
		2015	2016	2017	
1	Ethiopia	7997	8309	8302	8202
2	Bangladesh	9077	7342	7119	7846
3	India	7769	7322	6730	7274
4	Pakistan	8040	6940	6827	7269
5	Rwanda	5603	6394	6307	6101
6	Nepal	5148	5295	5281	5242
7	Senegal	3471	3317	3034	3274
8	Ghana	3101	2819	2752	2891
9	Egypt	2380	3019	2993	2797
10	China	2862	2797	2584	2747

Explanatory Note:

1. In accordance with paragraph 4 (d) of General Assembly Resolution A/RES/60/180 and Security Council Resolution S/RES/1645(2005) establishing the Peacebuilding Commission, the Secretary-General is requested to provide a list of the top ten providers of military personnel and civilian police to United Nations missions based on the average monthly contributions in the previous three calendar years.

2. The data reflected in the table above corresponds to this request with respect to the forthcoming selection process from among the top ten providers for new two-year terms of membership of the Organizational Committee of the Peacebuilding Commission starting from 1 January 2019.

3. In compiling this data, the Department of Peacekeeping Operations calculated yearly averages of military and police personnel on the basis of cumulative totals for each contributor in the qualifying year divided by twelve months. Subsequently, the cumulative total of the yearly averages for the qualifying calendar years, namely 2015, 2016 and 2017, were divided by three to provide the average contribution over three years.

25 September 2018