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Mr. Kofi A. Annan, Director Budget Division Office of Financial Services

24 February 1986

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Donald R. La Marr, Director Accounts Division Office of Financial Services

Establishment of a sub-account on Mobile Sources for the existing "Trust Fund for the financing of the implementation of the Convention on Long-Range Transboundary Air Pollution"

- 1. With reference to Mr. John G. Rwambuya's 13 Pebruary 1985 memorandum on the above subject, please note that the following codes and categories will be used for financial recording and reporting of the above trust fund:
- (a) Alpha Source of Pund Coder

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(b) Allotment Account Code:

IP-A-SSPPP-XXX (Programme Budget Account Part III of the 1985-86 handbook)

(c) Category of trust fund:

- (i) General Troot Fund
- (11) Economic and Social Activities
- (111) Schedule number: 15.4.10 (comprising fund LR and fund LP)
- (d) Provision for compensation payments under Appendix D of the Staff Rules monthly account from payroll of 1% of net base pay:

Applicable

(e) Programme support costs -13% of actual trust fund expenditure to be charged to this trust fund monthly and credited to fund OK:

Applicable

(f) Bank account:

Participant in investment pool bank account.

(g) Unliquidated obligations

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1992-1993 Allotment Advice

Advice No.: 2-03-2821

Date: 13 May 1992 Valid from: 1 January 1992

to: 31 December 1992

SECTION 25. ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR EUROPE (ECE)

Trust Fund for the Financing of the Implementation of the Convention

on Long-range Transboundary Air Pollution (EMEP)

Sub-account on Mobil Sources of Air Pollution

LPA-E907

<u>To</u>: Mr. G. Hinteregger, Executive Secretary Economic Commission for Europe

Attention: Mr. Armando Duque, Director

Division of Administration, UNOG

and: Mr. Perry Libre, Chief, Administrative Unit, ECE

- 1. This allotment advice authorizes expenditures in 1992 in relation to programme of activities on Mobil Sources of Air Pollution of EMEP. Mr. Libre's facsimile request of 22 April 1992 to Mr. Belov refers.
- 2. The administration of allotments for the biennium 1992-1993 will follow in principle the policies and procedures as provided for in section 5.02 of the Finance Manual. Accordingly, within any given group of compatible objects of expenditure, overexpenditures in an object of expenditure must be offset by underexpenditures in another object of expenditure. In addition, the procedures outlined in Part III of the annex to paragraph .013 of section 12.01 of the Finance Manual must be strictly observed, with particular attention paid to subparagraph 4 concerning the expenditure ceilings that this allotment represents.
- 3. Obligations and disbursements are to be recorded in accordance with the standard programme and object of expenditure codes as shown in the <u>Allotment Account Codes Handbook 1992-1993</u> (ST/ADM/L.3/Rev.23), as amended.
- 4. As an exception to ST/SGB/188, paragraph 47, a 13 per cent programme support factor will not be applied to expenditures under this allotment. Mr. Annan's cable to Mr. Hinteregger No. YZF-2662 of 12 June 1991 refers.

	Prior	This	Total
Account code and description	<u>Allotment</u>	Allotment	Allotment
	\$	\$	\$
LPC-25-270-030 General temporary assistance	_	20,000	20,000
LPC-25-270-040 Consultants	-	15,000	15,000
LPC-25-270-400 General operating expenses	-	3,000	3,000
LPC-25-270-620 Data processing equipment		20,500	20,500
/ Total:		58,500	58,500

Prepared by:

Mikhail Liarski

Programme Budget Officer

Authorized by:

Jacques Baudot Acting Controller

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Date: 17 October 1995

From:

Mr. L. Nordberg, Chief

European Section, AMCD

Air Pollution Section

Environment and Human Settlements Division

Economic Commission for Europe

Subject:

IAD Audit No. G95/108 - Audit of the UN Economic Commission for

Europe: EMEP Trust Fund

With reference to your Audit Query AUD-7-10 (452/95) I am pleased to provide you with a copy of ECE's response to Mr. J. Baudot's telegraph of 22 April 1991 concerning the exemption of EMEP programme support costs (attached). I also attach a copy of the subsequent advice of 12 June 1991 by Mr. J. Baudot extending the exemption of EMEP from programme support levies.

The arrangements are still valid.

cc: Mr. B. Duke 🛩

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	NON-EXPENDABLE EQUIPMENT STAFF TRAVEL	20 000 9 000 29 000
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ATTACHMENT II

Current ECE involvement in servicing the EMEP Trust Fund

January - November 1990

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ANNAN CONTROLLER INFO BAUDOT OPPBF FROM HINTEREGGER ECE. REUR YZF 6883-12 OF 5 DECEMBER AND YZF 1855-04 OF 22 APRIL.

WHILE THE ANNUAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO EMEP PROGRAMME HAVE STEADILY INCREASED SINCE 1981 AND BECAME MANDATORY IN 1988 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE 1984 PROTOCOL TO THE CONVENTION ON LONG RANGE TRANSBOUNDARY AIR POLLUTION, THE STATUS OF THE EMEP TRUST FUND SET UP IN 1981 TO RECEIVE GOVERNMENT CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE PROGRAMME HAS NOT CHANGED. IN THIS CONTEXT IT IS OF PARAMOUNT IMPORTANCE TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN THE EMEP PROGRAMME TO WHICH THE ECE SECRETARIAT MAKES A STRONG CONTRIBUTION AND GIVES EXTENSIVE SUPPORT AND THE EMEP TRUST FUND FOR WHICH THE ECE SECRETARIAT SERVES MERELY AS A MAIL BOX. THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF GOVERNMENTS TO THE TRUST FUND ARE AT PRESENT USED EXCLUSIVELY REPEAT EXCLUSIVELY FOR THE PAYMENT OF THREE NON UN CENTRES WHICH CARRY OUT MONITORING WORK FOR THE EMEP PROGRAMME IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE 1984, PROTOCOL. THE TASK OF THE SECRETARIAT IS TO RECEIVE THE CONTRIBUTIONS AND TRANSFER THEM USUALLY IN TWO ANNUAL DISBURSEMENTS TO THE CENTRES. ATTACHMENT ONE SHOWS THE CURRENT COMPOSITION AND NATURE OF PROJECTS BEING IMPLEMENTED UNDER THE EMEP PROGRAMME.



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GIVEN THE MAILBOX FUNCTION OF THE SECRETARIAT AS DESCRIBED ABOVE THE ECE SUPPORT FOR THE TRUST FUND, BOTH SUBSTANTIVE AND ADMINISTRATIVE, IS MINIMAL AND IS REFLECTED IN ATTACHMENT TWO. I WOULD BE GRATEFUL IF YOU COULD FACILITATE THE ISSUANCE OF THE ALLOTMENT REQUESTED IN OUR GVA 0103.

ATTACHMENT II

Current ECE involvement in servicing the EMEP Trust Fund

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To: Ms. Susan Bartolo, Special Assistant to the Executive Secretary, ECE	From:	Warren Sach, Director PPBD, OPPBA, DAM 25/VII/97
Fax no.: 41 22 917 0036	Fax no.:	212-963-3839
Subject: Change of title of sub-account LUC		į.
Date: 25 July 1997	Page(s): 1	

1. Reference is made to your fax of 20 May 1997 on the change of tittle of Sub-account "International Cooperative Programme on Assessment and Monitoring of Air Pollution Effects on Forests" and on its proposed exemption from the standard 13 per cent overhead charges. I regret that due to the budget preparation and review by ACABQ and CPC, it has not been possible to respond earlier.

2. I thank you for your agreement to change the title of the Sub-account to Sub-account for Voluntary Contributions Towards funding of Effect-Oriented Activities under the Convention.

Accounts Division is being requested to implement this change.

3. After reviewing the justification you provided for exempting the Sub-account from programme support charges, in particular the fact that it will be essentially used as a conduit for the transfer of contributions as grants to the Programme Centers, I share your assessment that the level of administrative support to be provided by ECE and OPPBA may not warrant the levy of the full 13 per cent. Nonetheless, the operation of the Sub-account require some administrative support; moreover I understand that the main reason to change the title is that the activities of the sub-account are expected to increase significantly. For these reasons and with the agreement of the Controller, I propose that overhead charges of three per cent be applied to the Sub-account. This level is consistent with the practice followed for a number of other trust funds with similar operations.

4. In this context, I note your concern about the reluctance of donors to contribute to administrative support activities. However this is not a compelling reason, since the policy to apply charges for administrative support provided by the Secretariat to activities financed through voluntary contributions, as reflected in the United Nations Financial Regulations and Rules, is the result of the decision by Member States when they adopted General Assembly resolution 35/217. Futhermore, please note that the proposed reduced level of overhead charges would still represent an exemption by the Controller from the standard level of these charges.

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