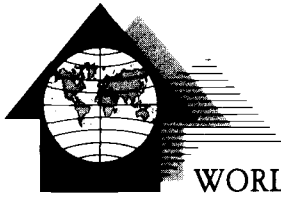


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1. The following pledges have been made to the work of the Commission:

JAPAN	US\$ 1 500 000
SWEDEN	US\$ 300 000
CANADA	US\$ 250 000
NETHERLANDS	US\$ 100 000
NORWAY	US\$ 70 000
DENMARK	US\$ 50 000
FINLAND	US\$ 50 000

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US\$ 2 320 000

2. The following countries have at some stage indicated that they may contribute to the work of the Commission:

AUSTRALIA  
INDIA  
SAUDI ARABIA

The exact nature or value of these possible contributions has so far not been formally established and therefore has not been included in the income estimates.

3. The status of the contributions and investment of funds made as of September 15, 1984, is set forth in an appendix attached to this paper.
  
4. A comparison of pledged contributions against the expenditures projected in the Commission's budget (WCED/84/12), shows a shortfall of US\$ 5,639,000, and illustrates clearly the urgency of a fundraising effort on behalf of the Commission if it is to accomplish the tasks anticipated in the proposed Workplan and Strategy (WCED/84/10). Moreover, if these tasks are to be undertaken in accordance with the proposed timetable, the Secretary General will need to be in a position now to make forward commitments of expenditures.
  
5. As indicated in the appendix to the Budget, some of the work proposed in the Strategy and Workplan may reasonably be expected to be funded by governments in whose territories the institutes or organizations directly involved in that work are located. Nevertheless, a major fundraising effort will need to be made if funds adequate for the Commission's work are to be obtained.
  
6. The Commission will wish to consider the options available to it to raise the funds needed for its work. To this end, it may wish to designate a Commissioner or Commissioners with special responsibility for obtaining funds from governments, institutes, foundations, industry and private sources. Alternatively, it may wish to establish a Finance Committee for this purpose. Such a Committee may be composed of at least 2 members of the Commission.

7. With regard to fundraising, it should be noted that, the Canadian Minister of the Environment indicated to the Secretary General in June that Canada's pledged contribution should be viewed as a pledge for 1984, to be repeated in subsequent years. Some other countries may be prepared to similarly view their pledged contribution. Also, there are several countries that remain to be approached for an initial pledged contribution.

APPENDIX TO RESOURCES AND FUND RAISING

Status of contributions as at 15.9.1984:

Country	Contributions			Application of funds received	
	Pledged US\$	Received by WCED US\$	Outstanding US\$	Invested in Time Deposits US\$	Spent or Kept in Current Account US\$
Japan	1,500,000	750,000	750,000	750,000	50,000
Sweden	300,000	150,000	150,000	150,000	
Canada	250,000	150,000	50,000	85,100	64,900
Netherlands	100,000		100,000		
Norway	70,000		50,000		
Denmark	50,000		50,000		
Finland	50,000	25,000	25,000		25,000
	2,320,000	1,075,000	1,195,000	935,100	139,900