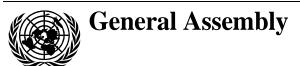
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#### I. Introduction

- 1. The General Assembly, in its resolution 54/43 of 1 December 1999, inter alia, called upon all Member States to report annually, by 30 April, to the Secretary-General their military expenditures for the latest fiscal year for which data were available, using, preferably and to the extent possible, the reporting instrument as recommended in its resolution 35/142 B of 12 December 1980.
- 2. On 24 March 2000, the Secretary-General sent a note verbale to Member States requesting them to submit their reports no later than 30 April 2000. The replies received are reproduced in section II below. Any additional replies received from Member States will be issued as addenda to the present report.

#### II. Replies received from Governments

#### **Explanatory note**

- 3. The Secretary-General has, to date, received reports from 32 Governments, all of which used the reporting instrument.
- 4. Figures in the tables presented below have been reported by Governments on the basis of the standard instrument for international reporting of military expenditures. For analytical purposes, the information on military expenditures received has been computerized, with minor adjustments, to conform to standard statistical practices.
- 5. The originals of the replies from States are available through the Department for Disarmament Affairs at Headquarters.

## Argentina

[Original: Spanish] [5 January 2000]

# Instrument for standardized international reporting of military expenditures

(Actual outlays, current prices)

Country: Argentina Fiscal year: 1998

National currency and unit of measure: Argentine peso

## Belgium

[Original: French] [19 June 2000]

# Instrument for standardized international reporting of military expenditures

(Actual outlays, current prices)

Country: Belgium Fiscal year: 1999

National currency and unit of measure: Belgian franc (10,000)

## Brazil

[Original: English] [19 April 2000]

# Instrument for standardized international reporting of military expenditures

(Actual outlays, current prices)

Country: Brazil Fiscal year: 1999

National currency and unit of measure: real (1,000)

## Canada

[Original: English] [12 June 2000]

# Instrument for standardized international reporting of military expenditures

(Actual outlays, current prices)

Country: Canada Fiscal year: 1999

National currency and unit of measure: nil report

## **Czech Republic**

[Original: English] [13 January 2000]

# Instrument for standardized international reporting of military expenditures

(Actual outlays, current prices)

Country: Czech Republic Fiscal year: 1998

National currency and unit of measure: Czech koruna (10,000)

#### **Denmark**

[Original: English] [27 April 2000]

# Instrument for standardized international reporting of military expenditures

(Actual outlays, current prices)

Country: Denmark Fiscal year: 1999

National currency and unit of measure: Danish krone (1,000,000)

[Original: Spanish] [7 September 1999]

# Instrument for standardized international reporting of military expenditures

(Actual outlays, current prices)

Country: Ecuador Fiscal year: 1998

National currency and unit of measure: sucre (1,000,000)

#### Part II

- 1. In order to approximate the opportunity costs of using conscripts in the military sector, the following information is requested:
- (a) The average civilian wage rate that the conscripts would have been likely to obtain during the reporting year if they had not been occupied in the military sector.

Answer: 10,683,084 sucres (minimum wage and complementary remunerations).

If such an estimate is not available, respondents are requested to suggest an average civilian wage rate that may be readily available and that the respondents believe might serve as a reasonable measure of opportunity costs.

(b) The number of man-years devoted by conscripts to military service during the reporting year concerned.

Answer: 23,663 man-years.

2. With reference to point (d) of the specific guidelines above, respondents are requested to give below the total amount of military assistance received from abroad during the reporting year. The amount should be given in the same denomination and currency as used in the matrix, preferably converted from foreign currencies to national currency at average annual market or par value exchange rate as reported by the International Monetary Fund.

Answer: No foreign military assistance.

3. With reference to points (n) and (o) above, the requested information should be reported here in the same value terms as used in the matrix. It is requested that total expenditures, at least, and preferably detailed by type of force group as in columns 1 to 12 of the matrix, be reported for the following items:

Depletion of ammunition:

Sales from the military sector of:

- (a) Land
- (b) Real estate other than land
- (c) Equipment
- (d) Services
- (e) Other
- 4. Respondents are requested to submit information as to whether statistics of the following kinds would be readily available for the reporting year.

	Answ Available	ver Not available
Price index of specific relevance to the military sector	X	
Exports of military equipment		X
Such exports divided by:		
(i) Countries		X
(ii) Regions		X
Imports of military equipment		X
Such imports divided by:		
(i) Countries		X
(ii) Regions		X

<sup>5.</sup> If a regularly published exchange rate is unavailable, or considered unsuitable for converting military expenditures, respondents are requested to comment on other possible ways for comparing the military expenditures of the responding country with those of other countries.

[Original: Spanish] [19 June 2000]

# Instrument for standardized international reporting of military expenditures

(Actual outlays, current prices)

Country: Ecuador Fiscal year: 1999

National currency and unit of measure: sucre (1,000,000)

#### Part II

- 1. In order to approximate the opportunity costs of using conscripts in the military sector, the following information is requested:
- (a) The average civilian wage rate that the conscripts would have been likely to obtain during the reporting year if they had not been occupied in the military sector.

Answer: 12,300,404 sucres (minimum wage and complementary remunerations).

If such an estimate is not available, respondents are requested to suggest an average civilian wage rate that may be readily available and that the respondents believe might serve as a reasonable measure of opportunity costs.

(b) The number of man-years devoted by conscripts to military service during the reporting year concerned.

Answer: 9,626 man-years.

2. With reference to point (d) of the specific guidelines above, respondents are requested to give below the total amount of military assistance received from abroad during the reporting year. The amount should be given in the same denomination and currency as used in the matrix, preferably converted from foreign currencies to national currency at average annual market or par value exchange rate as reported by the International Monetary Fund.

Answer: No foreign military assistance.

3. With reference to points (n) and (o) above, the requested information should be reported here in the same value terms as used in the matrix. It is requested that total expenditures, at least, and preferably detailed by type of force group as in columns 1 to 12 of the matrix, be reported for the following items:

Depletion of ammunition:

Sales from the military sector of:

- (a) Land
- (b) Real estate other than land
- (c) Equipment
- (d) Services
- (e) Other
- 4. Respondents are requested to submit information as to whether statistics of the following kinds would be readily available for the reporting year.

	Answer	
	Available	Not available
Price index of specific relevance to the military sector	X	
Exports of military equipment		X
Such exports divided by:		
(i) Countries		X
(ii) Regions		X
Imports of military equipment		X
Such imports divided by:		
(i) Countries		X
(ii) Regions		X

<sup>5.</sup> If a regularly published exchange rate is unavailable, or considered unsuitable for converting military expenditures, respondents are requested to comment on other possible ways for comparing the military expenditures of the responding country with those of other countries.

## Estonia

[Original: English] [28 April 2000]

# Instrument for standardized international reporting of military expenditures

(Actual outlays, current prices)

Country: Estonia Fiscal year: 1999

National currency and unit of measure: Estonian kroon (10,000)

## **Finland**

[Original: English] [24 May 2000]

# Instrument for standardized international reporting of military expenditures

(Actual outlays, current prices)

Country: Finland Fiscal year: 1999

National currency and unit of measure: markka (1,000,000)

#### **Finland**

#### Part II

- 1. In order to approximate the opportunity costs of using conscripts in the military sector, the following information is requested:
- (a) The average civilian wage rate that the conscripts would have been likely to obtain during the reporting year if they had not been occupied in the military sector.

Answer: 8,450 Fmk/month, 66.7 per cent of conscripts would have been employed during their conscription (1/99).

If such an estimate is not available, respondents are requested to suggest an average civilian wage rate that may be readily available and that the respondents believe might serve as a reasonable measure of opportunity costs.

(b) The number of man-years devoted by conscripts to military service during the reporting year concerned.

Answer: 19,500 man-years.

2. With reference to point (d) of the specific guidelines above, respondents are requested to give below the total amount of military assistance received from abroad during the reporting year. The amount should be given in the same denomination and currency as used in the matrix, preferably converted from foreign currencies to national currency at average annual market or par value exchange rate as reported by the International Monetary Fund.

Answer: No military assistance received.

3. With reference to points (n) and (o) above, the requested information should be reported here in the same value terms as used in the matrix. It is requested that total expenditures, at least, and preferably detailed by type of force group as in columns 1 to 12 of the matrix, be reported for the following items:

Depletion of ammunition:

Sales from the military sector of:

- (a) Land
- (b) Real estate other than land: 47,000,000 Fmk
- (c) Equipment: 94,000,000 Fmk
- (d) Services: 48,000,000 Fmk
- (e) Other
- 4. Respondents are requested to submit information as to whether statistics of the following kinds would be readily available for the reporting year.

	Answer	
	Available	Not available
Price index of specific relevance to the military sector	X	
Exports of military equipment	X	
Such exports divided by:		
(i) Countries	X	
(ii) Regions	X	
Imports of military equipment	X	
Such imports divided by:		
(i) Countries	X	
(ii) Regions	X	

5. If a regularly published exchange rate is unavailable, or considered unsuitable for converting military expenditures, respondents are requested to comment on other possible ways for comparing the military expenditures of the responding country with those of other countries.

Regularly published exchange rate of Finland's markka (Fmk) is available.

### Germany

[Original: English] [20 April 2000]

# Instrument for standardized international reporting of military expenditures

(Actual outlays, current prices)

Country: Germany Fiscal year: 1999

National currency and unit of measure: deutsche mark (10,000)

#### Greece

[Original: English] [26 April 2000]

### Instrument for standardized international reporting of military expenditures

(Actual outlays, current prices)

Country: Greece Fiscal year: 1999

National currency and unit of measure: drachma (1,000,000)

### Hungary

[Original: English] [15 May 2000]

# Instrument for standardized international reporting of military expenditures

(Actual outlays, current prices)

Country: Hungary Fiscal year: 1999

National currency and unit of measure: forint (1,000,000)

### **Italy**

[Original: English] [2 May 2000]

### Instrument for standardized international reporting of military expenditures

(Actual outlays, current prices)

Country: Italy Fiscal year: 1998

National currency and unit of measure: lira (10,000,000)

#### Jordan

[Original: English] [9 June 2000]

### Instrument for standardized international reporting of military expenditures

(Actual outlays, current prices)

Country: Jordan Fiscal year: 1999

National currency and unit of measure: Jordanian dinar (1,000)

### Lithuania

[Original: English] [7 April 2000]

# Instrument for standardized international reporting of military expenditures

(Actual outlays, current prices)

Country: Lithuania Fiscal year: 1999

National currency and unit of measure: litas (1,000)

### Luxembourg

[Original: French] [7 June 2000]

### Instrument for standardized international reporting of military expenditures

(Actual outlays, current prices)

Country: Luxembourg Fiscal year: 1999

National currency and unit of measure: Luxembourg franc (1,000,000)

#### Madagascar

[Original: French] [9 June 2000]

### Instrument for standardized international reporting of military expenditures

(Actual outlays, current prices)

Country: Madagascar Fiscal year: 1999

National currency and unit of measure: Malagasy franc (1,000)

#### Mexico

[Original: Spanish] [29 September 1999]

# Instrument for standardized international reporting of military expenditures

(Actual outlays, current prices)

Country: Mexico Fiscal year: 1998

National currency and unit of measure: peso (10,000)

#### Mexico

[Original: Spanish] [12 May 2000]

### Instrument for standardized international reporting of military expenditures

(Actual outlays, current prices)

Country: Mexico Fiscal year: 1999

National currency and unit of measure: peso (10,000)

#### Monaco

[Original: French] [4 April 2000]

### Instrument for standardized international reporting of military expenditures

(Actual outlays, current prices)

Country: Monaco Fiscal year: 1999

National currency and unit of measure: nil report

### Nepal

[Original: English] [10 May 2000]

### Instrument for standardized international reporting of military expenditures

(Actual outlays, current prices)

Country: Nepal Fiscal year: 1999

National currency and unit of measure: Nepalese rupee (1,000,000)

#### Nepal

#### Part II

- 1. In order to approximate the opportunity costs of using conscripts in the military sector, the following information is requested:
- (a) The average civilian wage rate that the conscripts would have been likely to obtain during the reporting year if they had not been occupied in the military sector.

Answer: Conscripts are not used.

If such an estimate is not available, respondents are requested to suggest an average civilian wage rate that may be readily available and that the respondents believe might serve as a reasonable measure of opportunity costs.

(b) The number of man-years devoted by conscripts to military service during the reporting year concerned.

Answer: Conscripts are not used.

2. With reference to point (d) of the specific guidelines above, respondents are requested to give below the total amount of military assistance received from abroad during the reporting year. The amount should be given in the same denomination and currency as used in the matrix, preferably converted from foreign currencies to national currency at average annual market or par value exchange rate as reported by the International Monetary Fund.

Answer: 37 million rupees.

3. With reference to points (n) and (o) above, the requested information should be reported here in the same value terms as used in the matrix. It is requested that total expenditures, at least, and preferably detailed by type of force group as in columns 1 to 12 of the matrix, be reported for the following items:

Depletion of ammunition: 443 million rupees

Sales from the military sector of:

- (a) Land
- (b) Real estate other than land
- (c) Equipment
- (d) Services
- (e) Other
- 4. Respondents are requested to submit information as to whether statistics of the following kinds would be readily available for the reporting year.

	Answer	
	Available	Not available
Price index of specific relevance to the military sector		X
Exports of military equipment		X
Such exports divided by:		
(i) Countries		
(ii) Regions		
Imports of military equipment	X	
Such imports divided by:		
(i) Countries	X	
(ii) Regions		

<sup>5.</sup> If a regularly published exchange rate is unavailable, or considered unsuitable for converting military expenditures, respondents are requested to comment on other possible ways for comparing the military expenditures of the responding country with those of other countries.

#### **Netherlands**

[Original: English] [15 May 2000]

# Instrument for standardized international reporting of military expenditures

(Actual outlays, current prices)

Country: Netherlands Fiscal year: 1999

National currency and unit of measure: Netherlands guilder (1,000)

#### **Netherlands**

#### Part II

- 1. In order to approximate the opportunity costs of using conscripts in the military sector, the following information is requested:
- (a) The average civilian wage rate that the conscripts would have been likely to obtain during the reporting year if they had not been occupied in the military sector.

Answer: There are no conscripts in the Netherlands armed forces anymore.

If such an estimate is not available, respondents are requested to suggest an average civilian wage rate that may be readily available and that the respondents believe might serve as a reasonable measure of opportunity costs.

(b) The number of man-years devoted by conscripts to military service during the reporting year concerned.

Answer: There are no conscripts in the Netherlands armed forces anymore.

2. With reference to point (d) of the specific guidelines above, respondents are requested to give below the total amount of military assistance received from abroad during the reporting year. The amount should be given in the same denomination and currency as used in the matrix, preferably converted from foreign currencies to national currency at average annual market or par value exchange rate as reported by the International Monetary Fund.

Answer: None.

3. With reference to points (n) and (o) above, the requested information should be reported here in the same value terms as used in the matrix. It is requested that total expenditures, at least, and preferably detailed by type of force group as in columns 1 to 12 of the matrix, be reported for the following items:

Depletion of ammunition:

Sales from the military sector of:

- (a) Land
- (b) Real estate other than land
- (c) Equipment
- (d) Services
- (e) Other

Total: (a)+(b)+(c)+(d)+(e) = 304,835,000 guilders

4. Respondents are requested to submit information as to whether statistics of the following kinds would be readily available for the reporting year.

	Ans	
Dai i d f i fi d	Available	Not available
Price index of specific relevance to the military sector		X
Exports of military equipment		X
Such exports divided by:		
(i) Countries		X
(ii) Regions		X
Imports of military equipment	X	
Such imports divided by:		
(i) Countries	X	
(ii) Regions	X	

<sup>5.</sup> If a regularly published exchange rate is unavailable, or considered unsuitable for converting military expenditures, respondents are requested to comment on other possible ways for comparing the military expenditures of the responding country with those of other countries.

Answer: The rate of exchange for the euro is: 1 euro = 2.20371 guilders.

#### **New Zealand**

[Original: English] [9 June 2000]

# Instrument for standardized international reporting of military expenditures

(Actual outlays, current prices)

Country: New Zealand Fiscal year: 1 July 1998-30 June 1999

National currency and unit of measure: New Zealand dollars (1,000)

### **Poland**

[Original: English] [3 May 2000]

# Instrument for standardized international reporting of military expenditures

(Actual outlays, current prices)

Country: Poland Fiscal year: 1999

National currency and unit of measure: zloty (1,000,000)

### Republic of Moldova

[Original: English] [11 May 2000]

# Instrument for standardized international reporting of military expenditures

(Actual outlays, current prices)

Country: Republic of Moldova Fiscal year: 1999

National currency and unit of measure: leu

#### Romania

[Original: English] [3 May 2000]

# Instrument for standardized international reporting of military expenditures

(Actual outlays, current prices)

Country: Romania Fiscal year: 1999

National currency and unit of measure: leu (1,000)

#### Slovakia

[Original: English] [28 April 2000]

# Instrument for standardized international reporting of military expenditures

(Actual outlays, current prices)

Country: Slovakia Fiscal year: 1999

National currency and unit of measure: Slovak koruna (1,000,000)

#### Slovenia

[Original: English] [12 May 2000]

# Instrument for standardized international reporting of military expenditures

(Actual outlays, current prices)

Country: Slovenia Fiscal year: 1999

National currency and unit of measure: United States dollars (1,000)

### Sweden

[Original: English] [16 June 2000]

# Instrument for standardized international reporting of military expenditures

(Actual outlays, current prices)

Country: Sweden Fiscal year: 1999

National currency and unit of measure: Swedish krona (1,000,000)

#### **Switzerland**

[Original: English] [2 June 2000]

# Instrument for standardized international reporting of military expenditures

(Actual outlays, current prices)

Country: Switzerland Fiscal year: military budget 2000

National currency and unit of measure: Swiss franc (1,000,000)

#### **Thailand**

[Original: English] [28 April 2000]

# Instrument for standardized international reporting of military expenditures

(Actual outlays, current prices)

Country: Thailand Fiscal year: 2000

National currency and unit of measure: baht (1,000,000)

#### **United States of America**

[Original: English] [13 June 2000]

### Instrument for standardized international reporting of military expenditures

(Actual outlays, current prices)

Country: United States of America Fiscal year: 1999

National currency and unit of measure: United States dollars (1,000,000)

#### Uzbekistan

[Original: Russian] [26 June 2000]

# Instrument for standardized international reporting of military expenditures

(Actual outlays, current prices)

Country: Uzbekistan Fiscal year: 1999

National currency and unit of measure: sum