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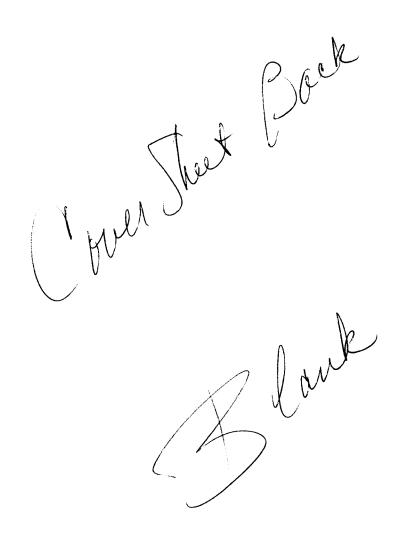


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### UNICEF GREETING CARD AND RELATED OPERATIONS

Financial report and accounts for the 1973 campaign (Accounting period 1 May 1973 to 30 April 1974)

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#### FOREWORD

A total of 89.3 million greeting cards and 609,629 calendars were sold in the 1973 season, bringing UNICEF net earnings of \$7.0 million. These earnings were about the same as in the previous year.

The Greeting Card Operation not only furnishes UNICEF a sizable source of income but has provided people in many countries with a means of making a direc; contribution both to a United Nations activity and to bringing benefits to millions of children in developing countries. Artists of distinction and museums from 36 countries contributed their creative talents and distinguished works of art for the 1973 campaign. As in past years, UNICEF national committees and other groups were the main sales agents, and sales and distribution costs were kept to a minimum because of their extensive and generous voluntary help. We greatly appreciate the devoted efforts of the many thousands of persons who contributed to the success of the enterprise.

(Signed) Henry R. LABOUISSE Executive Director

# I. A BRIEF ACCOUNT OF THE 1973 CAMPAIGN 1 May 1972 to 30 April 1974

### Sales

1. The number of cards sold in the 1973 campaign amounted to 89,317,000 a decrease of 2,372,000 or 2.6 per cent compared to the previous year. Calendar sales amounted to 609,629, down 3.3 per cent. However, as shown in table 4 gross income increased by \$1,414,682 to \$19,062,737 an <u>increase</u> of 8 per cert over the preceding year.

Table ]	L.	Greeting	cards	and	calendars	sold
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Campaign year	Cards sold	Percentage increase (decrease) over previous year	Calendars sold	Percentage increase (decrease) over previous year
1973	89,317,●0●	<b>(</b> 2.6)	609,629	(3.3)
1972	91,689,000	10.2	630,445	1.4
1971	83,152,000	14.8	621,504	8.5

1973, 1972 and 1971 campaigns

2. Table 2 gives a breakdown of number of cards sold by major geographic treas and selling countries. The over-all total of card sales was down by 2.6 per cent over the previous year. The largest increase of 32 per cent was achiered in Asia followed by the South-west Pacific, 27 per cent and Europe, 4 per cent. Sales in North America declined by 10 per cent, in Central and South America by 7 per cent and in Africa and the Eastern Mediterranean by 3 per cent. Comparative information is included in table 2 for the 1972 and 1971 campaign years. However, since selling prices were raised in most countries in 1973, gross income from sales, including calendars, increased as shown in table 2.4.

#### (in thousands of cards) 1973 campaign 1972 carpaign 1971 campaign Percentage of Percentage Percentage increase (decrease) Percentage of total of total of total 1973 Cards sold sales sales sales over 1972 Cards sold Cards sold North America 34,181 41.1 (11.4)35.6 35 943 39.2 United States of America 31,851 5,874 (2.2)6.6 6,007 6.5 5,585 6.7 Canada 41,950 45.7 47.8 42.2 39,766 (10.1) Europe 12,166 11,018 13.3 (10.8)Germany, Federal Republic of 10,853 12.2 13.3 5,702 6.4 6,761 7.4 5,839 7.0 (15.7)France Spain 2,814 3.2 2,063 2.3 1,089 1.3 36.4 4.0 2,617 2.9 2,517 2.7 2,040 2.5 Netherlands Sweden 2,594 2.9 1,931 2.1 1,367 1.6 34.3 7.0 2,567 2.9 2.6 2,266 2.7 Switzerland 2,398 United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern (1.2)Ireland 2,078 2.3 2,103 2.3 1,714 2.1 1,805 968 1.0 1,147 1.4 86.5 2.0 Italy 60.1 1,542 1.7 963 1.0 1,050 1.3 Norway 1.5 1.5 9.8 1,470 1.7 1,266 Belgium 1,339 Denmark 1,294 1.5 1,156 1.3 1,165 1.4 11.9 Finland 1,203 1.3 1,190 1.3 926 1.1 1.1 1,085 1.1 8.5 USSR 1.2 1,000 --935 1.0 829 0.9 763 0.9 12.8 Austria 1,246 15.6 2,435 2.7 2,106 2.3 1.5 Other European countries 39.6 40,994 45.9 39,490 43.1 32,896 3.8 Central and South America Brazil 2,129 2.4 1,644 1.8 1,864 2.2 29.5 1.9 1,576 1.9 (31.9)Chile 1,181 1.3 1,735 (38.4)1,020 1.1 1,657 1.8 1,248 1.5 Argentina Cther Central and South American countries 1.4 1,448 1.8 18.1 1,559 1.8 1,320 6.6 6,356 6.9 6,136 7.4 (7.3) 5,889 Asia 42.7 India 1,187 1.3 832 0.9 789 0.9 20.9 Other Asian countries 930 1.1 769 0.9 1,040 1.3 2,117 2.4 1,601 1.8 1,829 2.2 32.2 1,549 1,350 1.6 27.4 1.7 1,216 1.3 Australia and New Zealand

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Africa and Eastern Mediterranean

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Table 2. Greeting card sales by area and major selling country

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Geographical area	Number of cards sold(in thousands of cards) <u>1972</u> campaigncampaigncampaign(decrease)			Gross revenue from sales (including calendars) <u>a</u> / <u>G73</u> <u>1972</u> Percentage campaign campaign increase of (decrease)				
Europe	io <b>,99</b> 4	39 490	3.8	\$ 9,882,145	\$ 8,217,321	\$ 2C.3		
North America	37,725	41,950	(10.1)	7,107,120	7,589,012			
Central and South America	5,889	6,356	(7.3)	1,192,861	1,120,297	6.5		
Asia	2,117	1,601	32.2	320,526	241,120	32.9		
Australia and New Zealand	1,549	1,216	27.4	344,655	270,047	27.6		
Africa and Easter Mediterranean	1,043 89,317	<u>1,076</u> 91,689	(3.1) (2.6)	<u>215,431</u> 19,062,738		2.5 8.0		

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## Table 2-A. Comparison of and sold and gross income

1973 and 1972 campaign years

a/ Total number of calendars sold is shown in table 1.

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3. Card sales in major selling countries on the basis of 1,000 population for campaign years 1971 through 1973 are given in table 3.

	Card sales	per 1,000 of p	onulation
Country			<u></u>
	<u>1973</u> 491	<u>1972</u> 467	<u>1971</u> 445
Luxembourg	-		
Switzerland	400	380	359
Norway	392	247	268
Sweden	319	238	169
Canada	269	278	245
Finland	260	254	198
Denmark	259	233	234
Netherlands	196	191	155
Germany, Federal Republic of	176	199	186
United States of America	153	173	165
Belgium	151	138	130
New Zealand	140	118	138
Chile	131	193	175
Austria	125	111	102
France	110	132	114
Australia	87	69	73
Spain	82	60	32
Ireland	62	77	68
Uruguay	45	25	39
Argentina	43	70	53

Table 3. Card sales of major selling countries  $\frac{a}{2}$  on a population basis 1973 compared with 1972 and 1971

 $\underline{a}/$  The list includes countries where sales exceeded 100,000 cards and 40 cards per 1,000 of population.

4. Among the promotion materials produced for the 1973 campaign by the Greeting Card Operation and supplied to sales agents were the following:

	Quantity produced
Brochures	13,430,000
(26 languages)	
Posters	50 <b>,9</b> 00
(7 versions, 15 languages and blanks for local text)	
Glossy photographs for press reproduction	120,000
Promotion streamers for sales centres	32,100
(7 languages)	
Complete promotion kits	2,010
Promotion kits covers	4,097
Matts for press reproduction	8,240
Leaflet mailers and teasers	5,352,000
Television films (3 languages)	1,096

#### Income and expenditure

5. Table 4 shows gross income and expenditure and net operating income for the 1973 campaign, with comparative figures for the two previous years, and table 5 shows income and expenditure for the 1973 campaign compared with approved estimates (E/ICEF/AB/L.129).

6. Gross income for the 1973 campaign amounted to \$19,062,737 - an increase of \$1,414,682 or 8 per cent over that of the previous year. A total of 30 per cent of gross income went for commissions, duties and taxes and 36 per cent went for production, staff and sales costs. Operational net income declined from \$6,876,180 in 1972 to \$6,487,928 in 1973, a decline of 5.6 per cent. Operational net income was 34 per cent of gross income in 1973 compared with 39 per cent in 1972.

7. In years prior to 1973, the UNICEF Public Information Revolving Fund received 30 per cent of net calendar income generated by the Greeting Card Operation. As a result of recommendations of the United Nations Board of Auditors, the Public Information Revolving Fund was discontinued as of 1 January 1973. Consequently, a new allotment account was provided to pay UNICEF for financial, personnel and general administrative services provided to the Greeting Card Operation by the regular staff of UNICEF and services and publicity material provided by the UNICEF Public Information Division. Another allotment account provides for reimbursement for the services of an internal auditor. The total of these two allotments in 1973 was \$175,000, which in table 4 has been included in production, staff and sales costs and in table 5 has been included under budgetary expenditures in other expenses and in sales promotion costs.

Campaign		Gross incume	Commission, duties and taxes	Commission, duties and taxes as percentage of gross income	Production, staff and sales costs	Production, staff and sales costs as percentage of gross income	UNIORT Revolving Fund share of net calendar income	UNICEF Revolving Fund share of net calendar income as percentage of gross income	Operational net income	Operation net income as percentage of gross income	
1971	14	632 788	3 899 450	27	4 686 085	32	198 906	1	5 848 347	40	
1972	17	648 055	4 819 858	27	5 707 687	33	244 330	1	6 876 180	39	
1973	19	062 737	5 757 669	30	6 817 140	36	-	-	6 487 928	34	<b>1</b> 00

# Table 4. Gross and net operating income, 1971 to 1973 sales campaigns (in US dollars)

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	May, 1973		Actu	lal	Difference			
						Percentage		
	Dollars	Percentage	Dollars	Percentage	Dollars	increase or (decrease		
Sales	17 100 000			00.0	(1)			
Greeting cards	17,190,000	90.4	17,148,240		(41,760)	( 0.2)		
Engagement calendars	1,800,000	9.5	1,904,822	10.0	104,822	5.8		
Fine art prints	10,000	0.1	9,675		325	( 3.2)		
Total gross sales	19,000,000	100.0	19,062,737	100.0	62,737	0.3		
Less:								
Commissions paid	4,655,000	24.5	5,576,607	29.3	921,607	19.8		
Duties and taxes	120,000	0.6	181,062	0.9	61,062	50.9		
Net sales income	14,225,000	74.9_	13,305,068	69.8	(919,932)	( 6.5)		
Budgetary expenditures								
Salaries, wages and common						σ		
staff costs	1,007,900	5.3	1,154,219	6.1	146,319	14.5		
Other expenses and office					,			
equipment	914,900	4.8	1,151,521	6.0	236,621	25.9		
Production costs	×,419,600	18.0	3,650,931	19.2	231,331	6.7		
Sales promotion costs	848,100	4.5	860,469	4.5	12,369	1.5		
-	6,190,500	32.6	6,817,140	35.8	626,640	10.1		
Operational net income	8,034,500	42.3	6,487,928	34.0	(1,546,572)	(19.2)		
Miscellaneous income	90,000	0.5	552,926	2.9	462,926	514.3		
Excess of income over								
expenditure	8,124,500	42.8	7,040,854	36.9	(1,083,646)	(13.3)		

# Table 5. Income and expenditure for the 1973 campaign compared with approved estimates $(\underline{\text{in US dollars}})$

#### Designs

8. Reproduction rights were given by one hundred and sixteen artists and museums from thirty-six countries. Sixty-seven designs were used for the cards and fifty-three designs were used for the calendar. A list of these artists and countries is set out below. The generosity of these artists and institutions has made possible a continuing high standard of design.

#### Artist

#### Name of design

Country

Helga Aichinger Howard Alstad Anonymous \* Anonymous 17C \* Anonymous \* Anonymous \* Anonymous Anonymous Anonymous \* Anonymous \* Anonymous Anonymous 18C \* Anonymous \* Alain Bailache Franco Barberis Zoravia Bettiol Ilse Böhme Jean-Claude Bourgeois Phyllis Brackett Heidi Brandt Laura Buddensieg Charles Burchfield Chislaine Cambron Giancarlo Carloni Elizabeth Carlett Ivan Chermayeff Maria Christen Kalden Chumbi Oliver Clark Ossi Czinner Ken Danby Augustin de Celis Maria de Posz Antoine Desilets Jean Dubuffet Svenolov Ehren Eskimo Art: Eckalook Goo Etidlooie Lucy Pudlo Tye

The Sunsong Dove Holy Family Ten Bamboo Hall Musica Raft Flower Collage Winter's Pleasures Sage Reciting to Nobleman Persian Rose Tree Stained Glass Nativity Catalunian Tile Tree of Life Daddy Snowman Bicycle Rider The Balloon Vendor Winter Fun Church in Snow Madonna of the Rose Flower Girl Friends Orion in Winter The Horse Cart Butterflies Mother and Child Angel and Dove White Cat Thyangboche Monastery Kites Peace on Earth Martin's Shop Boy and Peace Dove Winter Scene Reaching Fanciful Village Nordic Evening Evening Owl Geese Feeding Sun Bird Umingmuk Autumn Bird

Austria Canada Canada China Colombia Federal Republic of Germany Federal Republic of Germany India Iran Norway Peru Spain United States of Amer.ca France Switzerland Brazil Federal Republic of G:rmany France United States of Amer.ca United States of Amer ca Federal Republic of Germany United States of Amer.ca Belgium Italy Mexico United States of Amer.ca Switzerland Nepal United States of Amer.ca Austria Canada Spain Venezuela Canada France Sweden Canada Canada Canada Canada Canada

<sup>\*</sup> Reproduction rights contributed by museums, or estates of artists.

Jean-Marc Forest Enrique Gandolfo Josip Generalic Arthur Getz

Milton Glaser Benozzo Gozzoli \* Maria Heins-Waltraud Margo Hoff Henrik Ibsen Kunio Isa Humberto, Jaimes-Sanchez Ota Janeček Mark Jenson Lars Jorde \* Salabattin Kanidinc Bagwan Kapoor Paul Karekezi Paul Klee \* Maria Korsak Le-Huu-Trung Jean-Paul Lemieux Peter Leisinger Blair Lent Bill Lobchuk Margarita Lozano \* Maria Mackiewicz Maglione René Magritte Henri Maik R.K. Malwankar Henri Masson Ewald Matare Piet Mondrian \* Liselotte Morell Edvard Munch Andrew Murrav John Nash Paul Nussbaumer Kichiemon Okamura Georgia O'Keeffe Paw Oo Thett Ruth Orkin Nasser Ovissi David Paladin Paps Margery Perret-Buckle Françoise Pochon

#### Name of design

Monarchs of the Forest Daisy and Blue Flowers Village in Winter United Nations Headquarters, New York Winged Hope Nativity The Rose House Three Saints Farm Near Skein Moonlight Night Humilis Herba Asleep The Shepherd Farmhouse in Snow Mv Winter Ride, My Little One Working Mother Untitled Children on Sled Lantern Lighting Nativity Winter Landscape Tree of Many Nations Windbreakers Among the Flowers Winter Wonderland Le Velo Flight Circus Fun Ceremonial Ride Snowy Winter Angel Composition in Oval Happiness Starry Night Lion and Lamb Suffolk Landscape Good Morning Winter Snow Covered Hills Asian Harbour Scene The Tree Happy Horse Adoration Farmyard Gathering Surpassing Thus My World Five Senses-Taste

#### Country

Canada

Argentina Yugoslavia United States of America United States of America Italv Brazil United States of Americ . Norwav Japan Venezuela Czechoslovakia United States of America Norway United States of America India Burundi Switzerland Poland Republic of Viet-Nam Canada Switzerland United States of America Canada Colombia Poland France Belgium France India Canada Federal Republic of Gernany Netherlands United States of America Norway United Kingdom United Kingdom Switzerland Japan United States of America Burma United States of America Iran United States of America Federal Republic of Ge: many United Kingdom Switzerland

<sup>\*</sup> Reproduction rights contributed by museums, or estates of artists.

### Artist

Fereidum Rahimi-Assa Elsbet Rahlff Abraham Rattner Margrit Roelli Rolando Roncancio Carlo Rosberg Henri Rousseau Ali Akbar Sadeghi Eleazar Salas Lotfi Abou Sariya Ezekiel Schloss Elenore Schmid Gino Severini \* Nina Shivdasani Rosalind Smith Fred Stauffer Kama Svensson Terentyeva Jiri Trnka

Victor Vasarely Annemick Veldman Pekka Vuori Solomon Wangboje Barry Wilkinson Scottie Wilson Gertrud Wyss-Trachsel Mustafa Yehya Name of design

Persian Fantasy Eye Herald Angel The Shepherd La Cumbia Midnight Sun Summer The Three Heralds Castillos Market Scene Peaceable Kingdom A Child's Dream Light in Space Of Flight Swing Logworkers in Snow Russian Dolls Reindeer Caravan

The King Vega II Eglise Hollandaise Winter Birds Mother and Child The Carollers Bird Song Nativity Hop-Scotch Country

Iran Norway United States of America Switzerland Colombia Denmark France Iran Mexico Egypt United States of America Switzerland Italy India United States of America Switzerland Denmark Union of Soviet Socialist Republics Czechoslovakia France Netherlands Finland Nigeria United Kingdom United Kingdom Switzerland Syrian Arab Republic

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#### II. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE GREETING CARD AND RELATED

### OPERATIONS FOR THE 1973 SALES CAMPAIGN

(ACCOUNTING PERIOD FROM 1 MAY 1973 TO 30 APRIL 1974)

- 1. The financial statements comprise the following:
  - (a) Statement I. Income and expenditure for the 1973 campaign year to 30 April 1974;
  - (b) Statement II. Budgetary authorizations and obligations incurred for the year ended 30 April 1974 and unobligated balances of authorizations at 30 April 1974; and
  - (c) Notes forming part of statements I and II.

	Inc	come and expenditu (in US dollars)	Ire		ENT I				
	1973 campai	gn - 1 May 1973 t	o 30 April 1974	1972 pempaign	1972 Sampaign - 1 May 1972 to 30 April 1973				
Sales Greeting cards Calendars Fine art prints		17 148 239.73 1 904 822.50 9 675.25			15 814 094.79 1 821 637.79 12 322.23				
Less: Commissions paid Duties and taxes	5 576 606.76 181 062.69	19 C62 737.48 5 757 669.45	13 305 068.03	4 658 841.55 161 016.18	17 648 054.81 4 819 857.73	12 828 197.08			
<u>Cost of sales</u> Opening inventory Production costs		200.00 3 650 931.08 3 651 131.08			200.00 3 142 251.74 3 142 451.74				
Less: Closing inventory Gross profit on sales LESS:		200.00	<u>3 650 931.08</u> 9 654 136.95		200.00	<u>3 142 251.74</u> 9 685 945.34			
Share of net profit on calendar sales transferred to UNICEF Public Information Revolving Fund						244 329.70 9 441 615.64	14 -		
Other expenditure Salaries, wages and common staff costs Administrative expenses and office equipment Sales promotion costs		1 154 219.27 1 151 520.57 860 469.41	<u>3 166 209.25</u> 6 487 927.70		940 645.76 876 096.19 748 693.72	<u>2 565 435.67</u> 6 876 179.97	I		
Cperational net income ADD:			6 487 927.70			6 876 179.97			
Other income									
Excess of income over expenditure			552 926.78 7 040 854.48			118 573.57 6 994 753.54			

The notes in section C, paragraphs 1-8 form an integral part of this statement and should be read in conjunction therewith.

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S. SLACKBERG Comptroller APPROVED

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Henry R. LABOUISSE Executive Director

# Budgetary authorizations and obligations incurred for the year ended 30 April 1974 and unobligated balances of authorizations at 30 April 1974

(in US dollars)

	В	udgetary authorizat	ions	Obliggt int	Unobligated balance of	1972 campaign obligations incurred
	Original	Adjustments	Revised	Obligations incurred	authorizations	<u>for year to</u> 30 April 1973
Section 1: Salaries, wages and common staff costs						
Established posts	749 500	92 500	842 000	840 550.38	1 449.62	674 195.80
Consultants	47 400	(20 000)	27 400	22 473.03	4 926.97	11 493.38
Temporary assistance	65 200	68 400	133 600	132 836.28	763.72	89 111.42
Overtime	2 500	1 800	4 300	3 799.48	500.52	2 879.68
Travel, removal and installation	1 000	5 200	6 200	5 744.68	455.32	28 599.19
Separation and repatriation payments	-	15 600	15 600	14 985.98	614.02	15 983.85
Contributions, Pension Fund	102 100	(1600)	100 500	100 272.08	227.92	79 865.74
Dependency allowances and education grants	24 800	(4600)	20 200	20 096.66	103.34	18 478.37
Travel on home leave	-	300	300	236.29	63.71	5 986.81
Staff welfere	2 500	(1500)	1 000	671.38	328.62	1 869.43
Medical insurance and related payments	12 900	<u>( 200)</u>	12 700	12 553.03	146.97	12 182.09
Total, Section 1	1 007 900	155 900	1 163 800	1 154 219.27	9 580.73	940 645.76
Section 2: Other expenses						I
Travel on official business	54 700	47 300	102 000	100 364.61	1 635.39	77 552.34
Freight	280 000	112 000	392 000	389 162.86	2 837.14	315 208.38
Communications	36 800	17 700	54 500	52 930.34	1 569.66	28 942.45
Rental and maintenance of premises and storage	369 400	30 900	400 300	398 310.83	1 989.17	318 914.65
Office supplies	15 600	10 700	26 300	25 774.22	525.78	18 136,22
Miscellaneous supplies and services	30 000	20 000	50 000	47 072.62	2 927.38	34 342.29
Rental and maintenance of office and accounting						
equipment	62 900	( 9 000)	<b>5</b> 3 900	52 388.03	1 511.97	44 736.53
External and internal audit costs	50 000	5 100	55 100	54 687.34	412.66	24 000.00
Hospitality	2 500	300	2 800	2 343.83	456.17	2 481.10
Furniture and office equipment	13 000	16 200	29 200	28 485.89	714.11	11 782.23
Total, Section 2	914 900	251 200	1 166 100	1 151 520.57	14 579.43	876 096.19

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STATEMENT II

#### Budgetary authorizations and obligations incurred for the year ended 30 April 1974 and unobligated balances of authorizations at 30 April 1974 (in US dollars)

STATEMENT II (concluded)

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	Budgetary authorizations Original Adjustments Revised			Obligations incurred	Unobligated balance of authorizations	1972 campaign obligations incurred for year to 30 April 1972	
Section 3: Production costs and production and distribution equipment							
Greeting cards Calendars Fine art reproductions Production and distribution equipment Total, Section 3	2 738 600 488 000 5 000 188 000 3 419 600	350 200 84 000 - ( 12 306) 421 900	3 C88 800 572 000 5 000 175 700 3 841 500	2 910 484.00 570 289.55 <u>170 157.53</u> <u>3 650 931.08</u>	178 316.00 1 710.45 5 000.00 <u>5 542.47</u> 190 568.92	2 617 506.71 506 429.60 116.12 18 199.31 3 142 251.74	
Section 4: Sales promotion costs Brochure printing Publicity and promotion Payment to UNICEF Total, Section 4	527 100 172 000 149 000 848 100	81 700 ( 42 700) 	608 800 129 300 149 000 887 100	589 866.23 121 603.18 149 000.00 860 469.41	18 933.77 7 696.82 	551 894.95 196 798.77 	- 16 -
GRAND TOTAL	6 190 500	868 000	7 058 500	6 817 140.33	241 359.67	5 707 687.41	

The notes in section C, paragraphs 1-8 form an integral part of this statement and should be read in conjunction therewith.

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#### NOTES FORMING AN INTEGRAL PART OF STATEMENTS I AND II

#### Notes on statement I. Income and expenditure

### Inventory at 30 April 1974

1. During the financial year approximately 7.8 million old designs, no longer considered saleable as cards, were sold as scrap paper or donated to approved organizations. In addition, some 8.3 million unfinished cards were also disposed of. At 30 April 1974, greeting card stocks of 1973 and earlier designs totalled 58.5 million boxed cards and 52.8 million cards in an unfinished state. A nominal value (\$200) has been placed on the inventory of boxed and unfinished cards. The cost of stocks of paper, envelopes, boxes, cartons, etc. on hand at the end of the campaign, emounting to \$399,313, has been transferred to the 1974 campaign budget as deferred expense instead of being classified as inventory.

2. The value at cost, at time of acquisition, of non-expendable equipment still in use at headquarters, but not reported in the accounts as an asset, amounted to \$246,000 as at 30 April 1974.

3. The finished card movement is set forth in table 6.

	1973 season	1972 seaso 1
Opening inventory	47.7	34.6
Add: Prior years' designs boxed for sale New designs boxed for sale	$\frac{11.7}{111.4^{a}}$ / 170.8	4.3 113.8 152.7
Deduct: Prior years' designs decollated	13.2	0.8
Cards sold during campaign	89.3 <sup>a/</sup>	91.7
Cards donated destroyed and lost during campaign	9.8 <sup>b/</sup>	12.5
Closing inventory	58.5	47.7

# Table 6. Movement of finished cards 1973 campaign (in millions of cards)

 $\underline{a}$ / Includes 8.9 million unfinished cards transferred to National Committees for sale after imprinting with special greetings for customers.

 $\underline{b}/$  Of this number, 7.8 million old designs no longer saleable were destroyed. Samples, damages and losses at sales outlets accounted for the remaining 2.0 million.

#### Payment to UNICEF for certain services

4. In previous years, the UNICEF Public Information Revolving Fund shared production costs and gross profit on calendars. The arrangement was discontinued effective 1 January 1973. Instead, for the 1973 campaign, the Greeting Card Operation was charged \$149,000 for financial, personnel and general administrative services provided by the regular staff of UNICEF and for the services of publicity materials provided by the UNICEF Public Information Division. A charge of \$26,000 was made for the services of an internal auditor. These expenditures are included in statement I under other expenditure.

#### Other income

5. The total of \$552,927 consisted of adjustments in rates of exchange (\$333,604), credits from the staff assessment plan (\$128,386), donations received (\$23,593), discounts allowed by vendors on material purchased (\$16,669), sales of obsolete materials (\$8,890) and other miscellaneous income (\$41,785).

#### Excess of income over expenditure

6. A total of \$7,040,854.48 from the 1973 campaign was transferred to the general resources of UNICEF after the closure of the campaign records. The net income of the 1973 campaign was based on the inclusion of accounts receivable of \$8,967,777 compared with \$8,090,681 at 30 April 1973.

### Notes on statement II. Budgetary estimates, obligations incurred and unobligated balances for the year ended 30 April 1974

7. The Executive Board at its May 1973 session approved budget estimates for the 1973 campaign of \$6,190,500 (E/ICEF/AB/L.129). In accordance with the authority given to the Executive Director to spend an additional amount of up to 15 per cent of the gross budget, if necessary, to meet costs of expanded production and sales, an additional amount of \$868,000, or 14 per cent of the gross budget, was requested and approved to cover additional costs in achieving a production level 10 per cent higher than anticipated, and to meet unexpectedly sharp increases in costs of materials and services. The increased production was undertaken since indications from consignees were that sales would be higher than the 4 per cent increase over 1972 sales originally forecast. In fact, the number of cards sold was 2.6 per cent less than in the previous year.

8. Obligations incurred against the revised estimate of \$7,058,500 amounted to \$6,817,140. The unobligated balance of \$241,360 has been cancelled.

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