Financial Statements for the Years Ended December 31, 1999 and 1998, and Independent Auditors' Report

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Governors of International Science & Technology Center:

We have audited the accompanying balance sheets of International Science & Technology Center as of December 31, 1999 and 1998, and the related statements of revenues and expenditures and cash flows for the years then ended as required by Article VIII of the agreement which established the International Science & Technology Center in 1992. These financial statements are the responsibility of the management of International Science & Technology Center. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

Except as discussed in the following two paragraphs, we conducted our audits in accordance with International Standards on Auditing. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Although International Science & Technology Center requires all funded institutions to provide written representation that they do not receive funding from multiple sources, we were unable to confirm this fact due to restricted access to institutes' records. There were no alternative auditing procedures that we could adopt to confirm the above.

Fixed assets used for projects which have useful lives extending beyond the current year were expensed during the current and prior years as project costs. International Accounting Standards require fixed assets to be capitalized and depreciated over their expected useful lives. Management believes expensing such fixed assets is appropriate because it matches the expenses incurred with the benefits received during the duration of the projects. Capitalization and depreciation of fixed assets used for projects would have a significant effect on the accompanying financial statements if it were applied.

In our opinion, except for the change which we concur in the accounting for administrative revenues and expenditures as discussed in Note 2 and for adjustments that might be necessary as a result of the matters noted above, the financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of International Science & Technology Center as of December 31, 1999 and 1998, and of the results of its operations and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with International Accounting Standards.

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Balance Sheets December 31, 1999 and 1998

ASSETS		ands of Dollars 1998
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS: Cash and cash equivalents (Note 3) Receivables:	\$ 88,931	\$51,771
Amounts due from funding parties (Note 4) Unliquidated project advances	19,037 522	16,154 504
Other receivables (Note 5)	53	365
Accrued income receivable	337	8
Project equipment pool (Note 6)	128	144
Total current assets	109,008	68,946
NON-CURRENT RECEIVABLES FROM FUNDING PARTIES (Note 4)	4,220	7,093
TOTAL	\$113,228	\$76,039
LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS		
CURRENT LIABILITIES: Accounts payable:		
Projects	\$ 1,450	\$ 1,093
Administration and project vendors	817	1,203
Grants payable	4,840	3,896
Other payable	27	-
Total current liabilities	7,134	6,192
CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS (Note 7):		
Designated capital contributions—projects Designated capital contributions—administration:	48,270	42,300
Operating budget	2,807	2,366
Supplemental budget	4,992	4,009
Undesignated capital contributions	50,025	21,172
Total capital contributions	_106,094	69,847
TOTAL	\$113,228	\$76,039

See notes to financial statements.

Statements of Revenues and Expenditures Years Ended December 31, 1999 and 1998

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	1999	1998 (Restated, Note 2.b)
REVENUES:		
Project revenues Administrative revenues:	\$36,039	\$33,320
Operating budget	2,313	2,243
Supplemental budget	4,203	2,001
Investment income	2,773	2,998
Other income		13
Total revenues	45,328	40,575
EXPENDITURES:		
Project expenditures (Note 8):		
On-going projects	35,091	32,199
Completed projects	948	1,121
Administrative expenditures (Note 9):		
Operating budget	2,289	2,092
Supplemental budget	4,203	2,001
Other expenditures (Note 10)	263	224
Total expenditures	42,794	37,637
NET SURPLUS (Note 11)	\$ 2,534	\$ 2,938

See notes to financial statements.

Statements of Cash Flows Years Ended December 31, 1999 and 1998

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	1999	1998
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATIONS: Cash inflows:		
Cash received from funding parties (Note 12) Investment income Other	\$79,144 2,440 <u>49</u>	\$34,969 2,993
Total cash inflows	81,633	_37,962
Cash outflows: Project expenditure and projects equipment pool Transfer of funds Administrative expenditures (including taxation) Other sundry expenditure Net foreign exchange loss	(34,940) (2,891) (6,412) (230)	(32,715) (1,101) (2,140) (615)
Total cash outflows	(44,473)	(36,571)
NET CASH INFLOWS FROM OPERATIONS	37,160	1,391
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR (Note 3)	51,771	_50,380
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR (Note 3)	\$88,931	\$51,771

See notes to financial statements.

Notes to Financial Statements Years Ended December 31, 1999 and 1998

1. ORGANIZATION AND BUSINESS

International Science & Technology Center ("ISTC" hereinafter) was established in 1992 pursuant to an agreement signed in Moscow within the Russian Federation.

The objectives of ISTC are laid down in Article II of the agreement. ISTC develops, approves, finances and monitors science and technology projects for peaceful purposes, which are to be carried out primarily at institutions and facilities located in the Russian Federation and other states of the Commonwealth of Independent States ("CIS") and Georgia.

Based on Article IX of the agreement, the Government of the Russian Federation provides ISTC with free office space and other facilities, along with maintenance, utilities and security for the facility. The value of such items provided is not recorded in the accompanying financial statements.

2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Preparation

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with International Accounting Standards ("IAS") except as described below.

In view of the international nature of ISTC's operations, the amounts shown in these financial statements are presented in U.S. dollars.

IAS 16 requires fixed assets with useful lives beyond the current accounting period to be capitalized based on the original acquisition cost, and depreciated over their useful lives. The management of ISTC believes that because of the unusual nature and circumstances of its activities, strict interpretation and application of this standard would not properly match the revenues specifically contributed by the funding parties with the related expenditures. Accordingly, fixed assets acquired for use by ISTC are charged to expense upon acquisition.

a. Project Activity—ISTC authorizes and funds scientific projects which are performed at institutions within CIS. Projects are financed by the funding parties either individually or jointly. All project agreements include a maximum amount of funding to be provided by the funding parties.

The project activity is accounted for in the financial statements as follows:

Project recognition

The projects are recognized upon signature of the project agreement between ISTC and the recipient institutes. Upon signature, the total amount of the project is credited to the relevant funding parties designated capital accounts in proportion to the level of funding agreed by each party. To the extent that the signed projects are not covered by the advance payments from the respective funding parties, a receivable is set up in the accounting records.

Project expenditures

Project costs consist of three primary components: grants to scientists, equipment and other sundry project expenses.

Projects that have not finalized the project completion procedures are presented as on-going projects in the statements of revenues and expenditures.

Project revenues

Project revenues recognized during the year in the statements of revenues and expenditures are amounts equal to the total value of project expenditures incurred during the year and transferred from the funding parties' designated capital contributions-projects accounts.

b. Administrative Revenues and Expenditure—Administrative revenues—operating budget recognized in the statements of revenues and expenditures during the year are amounts approved by the funding parties for the administrative expenses—operating budget for the year and transferred from the funding parties designated capital contributions—administration accounts.

Surplus administrative revenues operating budget arising during the year in respect of the operating budget are reallocated to the funding parties' undesignated capital contributions accounts in the same ratio as the administrative revenues contributions.

For the supplemental budget, ISTC has changed its revenue recognition policies to better match the expenses with revenues. In prior years, amounts agreed to at the meeting of the Board of Governors were recognized as revenue for the year. However, due to the lengthening of the various supplemental budget program periods, the agreed funding amounts are not necessarily used in the period the revenues are recognized. As a result, the revenue recognition policy was changed so that supplemental budget revenue recognized in the year in the statements of revenues and expenditures are amounts equal to the total value of supplemental budget expenditures incurred during the year and transferred from the funding parties' designated capital contributions account for administrative expenses. The effect of the change in accounting policy does not have an effect on the capital contribution accounts. This change in accounting policy has been accounted for retrospectively. The comparative statements for 1998 have been restated to conform to the changed policy. The effect of the change is a decrease in administrative revenues supplemental budget of \$3,992 thousand for 1999 and decrease of \$2,738 thousand for 1998.

Administrative expenses are charged to the statements of revenues and expenditures when incurred and are matched against the administrative revenues for the year.

c. Investment Income—Investment income is comprised of interest and dividends generated during the year.

Investment income generated is initially credited to the statements of revenues and expenditures. The investment income arising during the year is then allocated to the undesignated capital contributions accounts pro-rata to the level of funds deposited that are in excess to the immediate expenditure requirements of ISTC.

d. Fixed Assets—Fixed assets are acquired for the Secretariat's own use or for the projects and are comprised of the following:

Secretariat

The costs of the Secretariat's equipment, information technology related purchases and facility improvements are charged to administrative expenditures when acquired.

Project equipment

Since ISTC does not expect to derive any foreseeable economic benefits from the ownership of project equipment, the expenditure incurred on equipment under each project is written off on the statements of revenues and expenditures together with other project expenditure incurred during the year.

- e. Project Equipment Pool—Project equipment pool, which consists mainly of computer hardware, is valued at the lower of acquisition cost and net realizable value.
- f. Foreign Currency Transactions—All foreign currency transactions, other than those in Russian rubles, are converted into U.S. dollars at the exchange rates prevailing at the date of the transactions. Transactions in Russian rubles are converted into U.S. dollars at the average ruble exchange rate for the month. Foreign currency gains and losses resulting from movements in the exchange rates between the date of the transactions and the date of settlement are charged to the statements of revenues and expenditures.

The gains and losses from the year-end translation are also charged to the statements of revenues and expenditures.

g. Taxation—Under the terms of the agreement establishing ISTC with the Russian Federation Government, ISTC is exempted from taxation. However, since the relevant legal framework has not been implemented in the Russian Federation with respect to Value Added Taxes ("VAT"), ISTC has paid VAT on its local expenditures in relation to administrative and project costs.

Uncertainty regarding the collectibility of VAT incurred on administrative expenditures continue to exist. As such, an allowance for doubtful account has been recorded for the VAT that were recorded as receivable in the current year. In the current year bad debt expense of \$58 thousand related to VAT receivable is included as part of administrative expenses operating budget and not separately disclosed.

The VAT incurred on project expenditure has been charged to the statements of revenues and expenditures as part of the projects costs because the relevant claim documentation has not yet been considered by the tax authorities.

Customs duties on the imported equipment are exempted subject to maintenance of perpetual records.

3. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash and cash equivalents include cash at banks, petty cash and Managed Dollar Fund which is a highly-liquid short-term investments. The Managed Dollar Funds are held with BT Fund Managers (Ireland) Limited based in Dublin, Ireland. Amount invested in the Managed Dollar Funds is \$64,277 thousand (\$50,417 thousand in 1998). The Managed Dollar Funds are valued at market value.

4. AMOUNTS DUE FROM FUNDING PARTIES

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	U.S. 1	Dollars
	<u>1999</u>	1998
December 1		
Due within one year:		
European Union	\$16,130	\$11,399
Japan	758	3,004
South Korea	269	
Other funding parties	1,880	1,751
Total	¢10.027	\$16 15A
Total	\$19,037	\$16,154

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	U.S. Do	llars
	1999	1998
Due after one year: European Union Japan Other funding parties	\$3,878 264 78	\$6,957 136
Total	\$4,220	\$7,093
OTHER RECEIVABLES		
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Recoverable taxes Staff advances Advances to suppliers	\$271 12	\$213 65 213
Other receivables Total Less allowance for doubtful receivables	52 335 (282)	98 589 (224)
Net other receivables	\$ 53	\$365
PROJECTS EQUIPMENT POOL		
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Cost: Balance, beginning of year	\$161	\$136
Additions, net of transfers to projects	_(16)	25
Balance, end of year	_145	_161
Provision for obsolete equipment: Balance, beginning of year Adjustments made during the year	(17)	(22)
Balance, end of year	(17)	(17)
Net book value	\$128	<u>\$144</u>
Projects equipment pool valued at cost Projects equipment pool valued at net realizable value	\$112 	\$128

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Total

The projects equipment pool consists of computer hardware and consumables held at ISTC in order to meet the demand of the projects which requisition such items on a regular basis. A regular review of the items in the pool has been carried out during the year and provisions made to take into account obsolescence of some of the items. Any such provisions are charged to the statements of revenues and expenditures and then allocated to the funding parties designated capital project accounts.

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7. MOVEMENTS IN CAPITAL

Movements in capital accounts during fiscal years 1999 and 1998 were as follows:

a. Designated Capital Contributions ("DCC")—Projects

				Thousar	Thousands of U.S. Dollars	Dollars			
							South	Other	
	EU	U.S.	Japan	Norway	Finland	Sweden	Korea	Parties	Total
DCC—January 1, 1998 Transfers to statement of revenues	\$14,786	\$18,410	\$7,311		\$303	\$1,940		\$ 824	\$43,574
and expenditure	(12,440)	(12,981)	(5,137)	\$ (45)	(188)	(1,267)		(1,262)	(33,320)
New projects signed during 1998	15,072	10,836	2,655	475		908		2,666	32,510
Funding received in excess of costs									
transferred to UCC	(9)	(13)	(32)		(4)				(55)
Other	(16)	(374)	70		(77)	(1)		(11)	(409)
DCC—December 31, 1998	17,396	15,878	4,867	430	34	1,478		2,217	42,300
Transfers to statement of revenues									
and expenditure	(14,248)	(13, 138)	(4,596)	(455)	(33)	(868)	\$ (26)	(2.644)	(36.039)
New projects signed during 1998	19,409	13,523	3,311	892	,	133	200	4.590	42,058
Funding received in excess of costs									
transferred to UCC	(11)	(21)	(15)		(1)			(1)	(44)
									(71)
DCC—December 31, 1999	\$22,546	\$16,242	\$3,567	\$867	Niil	\$ 712	\$174	\$4,162	\$48,270

Designated capital contributions represent amounts committed on signed projects net of project expenditures incurred to date.

b. Designated Capital Contributions ("DCC")—Administration (Restated for 1998, Note 2.b)

				Thou	Thousands of U.S. Dollars	. Dollars			
	EU	U.S.	Japan	Norway	Finland	Sweden	South	Other Parties	Total
Operating budget—January 1, 1998 Reallocation of operating budget	\$598	\$598	\$598	\$225			\$224 (93)	e L	\$2,243
Transfer to revenues Surplus for the year (see Note 10)	(626)	(626)	(626)	(234)			(131)	\$0.5	53 (2,243)
Transfer to UCC for surplus	(42)	(42)	(42)	(16)			(6)		(151)
ivew budget approved	/10	61/	61/	231			231		2,313
Operating budget—December 31, 1998 Reallocation of operating budget	617	617	617	231			231	53	2,366
Additional contribution (net of adjustments) Transfer to revenues	(617)	(617)	(617)	(231)			(231)	61	61 (2.313)
Surplus for the year (see Note 10)	9	9	9	3			3)		24
Transfer to UCC for surplus	(9)	(9)	(9)	(3)			(3)		(24)
New budget approved	718	718	718	270			269		2,693
Operating budget—December 31, 1999	\$718	\$718	\$718	\$270			\$269	\$114	\$2,807

ars	Sweden Korea Parties Total	\$2,783 1,956	$ \begin{array}{c} (2,001) \\ (1,164) \\ \hline 2,435 \end{array} $	4,009 5,986 (1,800)	(4,203) (857) $1,857$	6
Thousands of U.S. Dollars	Norway Finland Sw			\$40 (40)		
	Japan	\$ 180 827	(429)	578 1,610 (618)	(393)	41 177
	U.S.	\$ 273 1,227	(504)	996 3,270 (543)	(2,192)	\$1 531
	EU	\$2,330 (98)	(1,068) (1,164) 2,435	2,435 1,066 (599)	(1,618) (857) 1,857	\$2 284
		Supplemental budget—January 1, 1998 Additional contribution (net of adjustments) Transfers to statement of revenues and	expenditure Transfer to UCC for unused funds New budget approved	Supplemental budget—December 31, 1998 Additional contribution (net of adjustments) Transfer to DCC projects Transfers to statement of revenues and	expenditure Transfer to UCC for unused funds New budget approved	Supplemental budget—December 31 1999

c. Undesignated Capital Contributions ("UCC") (Restated for 1998, Note 2.b)

administrative budget or project purposes. In addition, in the case of projects funded by European Union, the protocol signed between ISTC and the European Union allows a certain proportion of project amounts to be invoiced on approval of the projects. The invoices raised during the Undesignated capital contributions are the amounts paid or committed by the funding parties which have not yet been designated for the year on these projects have been recognized in the financial statements by including them in the European Union's undesignated capital contributions account.

Subsequently, when these projects are finally signed, an appropriated adjustment is made between the designated and undesignated capital contributions account. Transfer of funds represents funds transferred to other non-ISTC related entities upon receiving instructions from the funding parties to do so.

				Thousand	Thousands of U.S. Dollars	ollars			
	ı		,	;	i	,	South	Other	
	EO	U.S.	Japan	Norway	Finland	Sweden	Korea	Parties	Total
UCC, January 1, 1998	\$3,107	\$13,449	\$2,052	\$1,004	\$ 76	\$1,046		\$10	\$20,744
Contributions from parties	1,155	11,600	2,260	1,358			\$468	30	16,871
Investment income allocation	390	1,952	409	70	28	139		6	2,998
Transfer from DCC for surplus of									
operating budget	42	42	42	16			6		151
Transfer from DCC for unused funds									
allocated to supplemental budget	1,164								1,164
Transfer from DCC projects for approved									
funding in excess of cost	9	13	32		4				55
Decrease of capital:									
Transfer to DCC for signed projects	(3,240)	(10,831)	(1,284)	(475)		(808)			(16,636)
Transfer to DCC for operating budget		(645)	(645)	(241)			(231)		(1,762)
Transfer to DCC for supplemental budget	(27)	(1,227)							(1,254)
Other usages for DCC	(30)	(223)	(1)						(254)
Transfer of funds		(101)	(1,000)						(1,101)
Miscellaneous adjustment	59	59	59	19					196
UCC, December 31, 1998	\$2,626	\$14,088	\$1,924	\$1,751	\$108	\$ 379	\$247	\$49	\$21,172

Miscellaneous adjustments consist of the provision for doubtful accounts and other items which are allocated to funding parties based on the countries' approved contribution to the administrative operating budget (see Note 10).

	Total	\$21,172	51.632	2,773		24	1		857		49		(17,342)	(1,705)	(4 252)	(2.920)	(263)	(507)	\$50,025
	Other Parties	\$ 49	3,275	176							1		(2,071)						\$1,430
	South Korea	\$247	870	32		3							(200)	,					\$952
ollars	Sweden	\$379		73									(132)						\$320
Thousands of U.S. Dollars	Finland	\$108		19															\$128
Thousand	Norway	\$1,751		100		3							(852)	(269)	(40)	,			\$ 693
	Japan	\$ 1,924	21,930	406		9					15		(209)	(718)	(099)	(105)			\$22,191
	U.S.	\$14,088	25,263	1,675		9					21		(12,496)	(718)	(3,018)	(2,815)			\$22,006
	EU	\$2,626	294	292		9			857		111		(984)		(534)	,	(263)		\$2,305
		UCC, January 1, 1999 Increase of capital:	Contributions from parties	Investment income allocation	Transfer from DCC for surplus of	operating budget	Transfer from DCC for unused funds	on programs under supplemental	budget	Transfer from DCC projects for	approved funding in excess of cost	Decrease of capital:	Transfer to DCC for signed projects	Transfer to DCC for operating budget Transfer to DCC for supplemental	budget	Transfer of funds	Foreign exchange differences		UCC, December 31, 1999

Revaluation of the Euro denominated account expected to be utilized for EU's future obligations resulted in foreign exchange differences (see Note 10).

8. PROJECT EXPENDITURES

Project expenditures charged to the statements of revenues and expenditures during each year ended December 31 since inception are as follows:

	Thousands of U.S. Dollars
1999	\$ 36,039
1998	33,320
1997	31,029
1996	28,459
1995	22,001
1994	1,765
Cumulative project costs incurred as of December 31, 1999	\$152,613

Cumulative project expenditures amounting to \$152,613 thousand reflect actual expenditures incurred on on-going projects and completed projects.

Project expenditures incurred in 1999 and 1998 consisted of the following:

		ands of Dollars
	1999	1998
Grants to scientists Equipment Other project costs	\$24,373 4,605 	\$22,265 3,010 8,045
Total	\$36,039	\$33,320

For individual project agreements signed before April 14, 1995, title to equipment costing less than \$2,500 was vested with the recipient institutes upon acquisition. The title to all other equipment provided to projects remains with ISTC until termination or completion of the project. At that time, the title will be vested with the recipient institutes unless prior to or as of that date ISTC informs the institute of its intention to retain title.

For project arrangements signed after April 14, 1995, title to all such purchased equipment remains with ISTC. For legal reasons, upon completion of each project a Memorandum of Understanding is drawn up with each recipient which allows them to continue to use such ISTC-owned equipment.

9. ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENDITURES

Administrative expenditures incurred during 1999 and 1998 consisted of the following:

	Thousands of U.S. Dollars		
	1999	1998	
Operating budget:			
Center operations	\$1,381	\$1,333	
Center facilities and equipment	191	218	
Information and branch offices	137	84	
Project development support	580	457	
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Total	\$2,289	\$2,092	
Supplemental budget:			
Training	\$ 650	\$ 230	
Seminars	132	143	
Management Information Systems	59	11	
Expert participation:	_{- sectors}		
United States	1,680	503	
European Union	1,445	862	
Japan	237	252	
Total	\$4,203	\$2,001	
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10. OTHER EXPENDITURES

Other expenditures incurred during 1999 and 1998 consisted of the following:

	Thousands of U.S. Dollars	
	1999	1998
Foreign exchange differences Bad debt expense	\$263	\$224

Other expenditures represent amounts not specifically contributed through the operating budget or the supplemental budget.

11. SEGMENT INFORMATION

The net surplus earned during the year has been allocated to the funding parties as follows:

	Total		\$ 35 19 412	7,3 1,681 103 35 176	\$2,534		\$ 400	430	1,857 76 10	\$2,938
Thousands of U.S. Dollars	Other Costs		\$(263)		\$(263)		\$ (32)	(21)	(137)	\$ (211)
	Supplemental Budget Expenditures		\$(1,618) (393)	(2,192)	\$(4,203)		\$(1,068)	(429)	(504)	\$(2,001)
	Project Expenditures		\$(14,248) (33) (4,596)	$ \begin{array}{c} (33,138) \\ (455) \\ (26) \\ (2,644) \end{array} $	\$(36,039)		\$(12,440) (188)	(5,137)	(12,981) (45)	\$(33,320)
	Investment		\$ 292 19 406	1,675 100 32 176	\$2,773		\$ 390	409	1,952 70 1	\$2,998
	Supplemental Budget Revenues		\$1,618	2,192	\$4,203		\$1,068	429	504	\$2,001
	Surplus Operating Budget		9 9	3336	\$ 24		\$ 42	42	42 16 9	\$151
	Project Revenues		\$14,248 33 4,596	13,138 455 26 2,644	\$36,039		\$12,440 188	5,137	12,981 45 1.262	\$33,320
		1999	European Union Finland Japan Sweden	United States Norway South Korea Other parties	Total	1998	European Union Finland	Japan Sweden	United States Norway South Korea Other parties	Total

All surplus arising during the year have been allocated to the funding parties UCC accounts, in accordance with the method agreed upon between the various funding parties.

12. CASH RECEIVED FROM FUNDING PARTIES

		Thousands of U.S. Dollars		
	1999	1998		
European Union	\$19,542	\$16,091		
Japan United States	27,085	3,632		
Norway	25,998	11,750 1,358		
South Korea	870	599		
Other parties	5,649	1,539		
Total	\$79,144	\$34,969		

Cash contributions received during the year from the funding parties has either been recorded against accounts receivable or directly against the parties' capital contributions accounts (see Note 7).

13. FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

The funding parties had approved but not yet signed 120 projects with a total funding of \$28,945 thousand at December 31, 1999, and 140 projects with a total funding of \$30,818 thousand at December 31, 1998.

The agreements for projects unsigned as of December 31, 1999, are expected to be signed in 2000.

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