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ACTIVITIES AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE TIR EXECUTIVE BOARD (TIREXB)

Financial Administration of the TIRExB and the TIR secretariat

Status report on the accounts for the year 2007

Note by the secretariat

1. The budget for the operation of the TIRExB and the TIR secretariat for the year 2007 amounted to **US\$ 1,106,200** (i.e., Cost Plan US\$ 979,000 plus 13% programme support costs US\$ 127,200).

2. The TIR Secretary presents below a detailed report on the financial situation of the TIRExB and the TIR secretariat as at 31 July 2007.

3. A complete financial report for the year 2007 will be prepared for approval by the Administrative Committee at its forthcoming session in spring 2008. The budget and cost plan for the operation of the TIRExB and the TIR secretariat for the year 2007, as approved by the Administrative Committee on 29 September 2006 (TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/85, para. 28, is contained in document ECE/TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2006/11/Rev.1).

4. The Administrative Committee may wish to take note of the present status report.

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"Transport International Routier - TIR" Trust Fund

Status report as at 31 July 2007 (in US\$)

Object of expenditure	Allotment	Expenditures	Balance
Project Personnel	660,000	362,116	297,884
Administrative Support Personnel	182,000	96,660	85,340
Consultants fees and travel	30,000	0	30,000
Travel on official business	35,000	13,543	21,457
Mission costs	20,000	7,316	12,684
Staff Training	15,000	336	14,664
Office automation & equipment	20,000	1,890	18,110
Operation and maintenance of equipment	2,000	0	2,000
External contractual services	14,000	0	14,000
General operating expenses	1,000	0	1,000
Total net allotment	979,000	481,861	497,139
Programme Support (13% of Total expenditures)	127,200	62,642	64,558
Grand total	1,106,200	544,503	561,697

Specification of expenditures (as of 31 July 2007)

Project Personnel

Four experts on fixed-term appointments, one expert recruited on short-term basis to assist the TIR secretariat in the development of ITDBonline+ project.

Administrative Support Personnel

Two general service personnel for secretarial support, data entry of information into the International TIR Data Base and updating of the TIR web site.

<u>Consultants fees and travel</u> No cost occurred so far under this budget line.

Travel on Official Business

Participation of the TIR secretariat: Ad hoc Expert Group on Computerization of the TIR Procedure (Belgrade WCO Data model project meeting (Brussels), Meeting with the EU Commission (Brussels), Conference on the contribution of the TIR system to security of trade and transport (Moscow), and the Inter-regional seminar on economic assessment of international transport linkages and transport facilitation (Cairo).

<u>Mission costs</u> Participation of TIRExB members at the 32nd session of the TIRExB in Geneva.

<u>Staff Training</u> Training course followed by one staff member.

Office Furniture & Equipment Two computers have been purchased.

<u>Operation and maintenance of equipment</u> No cost occurred so far under this budget line.

External contractual services No cost occurred so far under this budget line.

General operating expenses

No cost occurred so far under this budget line.

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