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Approval of the final accounts for the year 2016

Note by the secretariat

I. Introduction

1. The present document is submitted pursuant to Annex 8, Article 11, paragraph 4 of the TIR Convention, 1975, which stipulates that the TIR Executive Board (TIRExB) "shall report on its activities, including the submission of audited accounts, to the Administrative Committee at least once a year or at the request of the Administrative Committee."

II. Final accounts for the year 2016

- 2. The total budget and cost plan for the TIR Executive Board (TIRExB) and the TIR secretariat for the year 2016 including the programme support costs (13 per cent of total budget), amounted to US\$ 1,632,850 (i.e., cost plan US\$ 1,445,000 plus 13 per cent programme support costs US\$ 187,850) (ECE/TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2015/21).
- 3. The final accounts for the year 2016, prepared by the competent Finance Services of the United Nations, were transmitted to the TIR secretariat on 4 August 2017.
- 4. According to these final accounts, TIREXB and the TIR secretariat had operating expenditures in 2016 in the order of US\$ 1,211,164 and programme support costs (13 per cent of operating expenditures) in the amount of US\$ 157,500, total expenditures of US\$ 1,368,664. The leftover for the year 2016 amounts to US\$ 264,834 (see the following table).

Table 1

Final accounts for the year 2016

Local Technical Cooperation Trust Fund Transport International Routier – TIR

Allotment Account No: E211-ECE-TN-213 (M1-32ECE-000062)

Object of expenditure	2016 Released budget US\$ (1)	Expenditures as of 31-Dec-16 US\$ (2)	Leftover as at 31-Dec-16 US\$ (3) = (1)-(2)
Travel (official travel of staff, travel of meeting participants)	120 000	67 690	52 310
Operating and other direct costs (e.g. staff training, communication costs, pouches, postage, hospitality			
etc.)	27 000	4 177	22 823
Contractual services	31 000	14 384	16 616
Sub-Total	1 445 000	1 211 164	233 836
Programme Support Cost (approx. 13% of Total)	187 850	157 500	30 998
Grand Total	1 632 850	1 368 664	264 834

5. The following summary table shows the fund statement as at 31 December 2016.

Table 2
Fund statement as at 31 December 2016

 $Local\ Technical\ Cooperation\ Trust\ Fund\ on\ "Transport\ International\ Routier"\ (TIR)$

Allotment Account No: E211 ECE-TN-213 (M1-32ECE-000062)

	Currency	US\$
Unencumbered balance as of 31 December 2015		1 049 685
Reserve early termination UNECE/IRU Agreement		305 000
Actual fund balance at 31 December 2015 ¹		1 354 685
2016 Contribution received in 2015 (transferred by the IRU by 15/11/2015)		
Total unencumbered balance and fund reserve as at 31 December 2015		2 698 624
Less: Direct Expenditures 2016	1 211 164	
Less: Programme support costs for 2016	<u>157 500</u>	
Less : Total Expenditures for 2016		1 368 664
Plus:		
Interest income and other miscellaneous income 2016	23 369	
Plus: Total contribution/income received in 2016 ²		23 369
Actual fund balance at 31 December 2016 ³		1 353 329

¹ See document ECE/TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2016/23

² Exclusive of the 2017 contribution received in 2016.

³ Inclusive of: Provision for termination UNECE/IRU Agreement, Provision for Installation and Separation Costs, operation Cash Reserve that are forwarded year-to-year. Exclusive of the 2017 contribution received in 2016.