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UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA - SOUTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISION (

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UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA (U.N.A.A.)

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISION (Inc.)

ANNUAL REPORT - 1984/85

OVERVIEW

UNAA S.A. Division (Inc.) has completed a year full of challenges and great achievements, despite the difficulty of not having any paid staff. That we have made such progress is due largely to the enthusiasm, drive and generosity of our Honorary Secretary, Mrs Stewart Barnes, who has filled the role of office supervisor, on a full-time basis, and that of executive officer. Many other people, including executive members and office volunteers, deserve thanks for their efforts. However, it must be recorded that the Division could not have survived without someone accepting the role of co-ordinator for the Division.

The situation cannot continue; it is not reasonable to ask one person to carry the load. Unless we are successful in attracting a grant sufficient to enable us to appoint at least a part-time paid worker, we will have to review our operations. Our grant from the State Government has remained at \$3,000 for many years; we have applied for an increased grant. Extracts from the submission are included below:

Since presenting our last submission, which stressed the financial difficulties of the South Australian Division of this Association, the Division has been forced to move its office twice. Until recent ly UNICEF was part of the Division's operation, sharing accommodation and expenses; now that UNICEF has become a separate entity, the Division has to provide its own accommodation and pay rent in full.

Income is provided mainly by subscriptions from members, most of that is taken up with paying rent and covering our modest expenses.

No funds are available for us to employ even a part-time supervisor. For many years the service of a full-time paid office manager was provided, then we were reduced to part-time. Now we are completely dependent on volunteers.

Our Honorary Secretary, during the past year, has worked long hours during the week, and has spent part of her weekends at the office. She has not had holidays — and if, as recently happened, she was absent for a few days for personal reasons, there is no one able to supervise the office, co-ordinate the volunteers and carry out the necessary executive functions for the Association.

This cannot continue. Unless we receive an increase in funding, we may have to restrict our operations.

This would be devastating, as at present, with Australia's increasingly prominent role at the United Nations, we find an increased demand from the community, particularly schools, for information on United Nations itself and its Agencies. International Youth Year (IYY) has significantly increased the Division's work; re-formed United Nations Youth Association (UNYA), which is playing a leading part in motivating secondary school students to the Participatory, Developmental and Peaceful roles which constitute the IYY theme, has put severe strain on the available office skills and 'phone answering capabilities in dealing with schools. annual Australian Hammarskjold Memorial Interschools Conference (AHMIC), from this year on, has an added dimension in South Australia. Independent Order of Odd Fellows will annually provide anscholarship covering fares and accommodation costs for one of South Australia's AHMIC delegates to visit United States of America, spending one week of a month's stay at UN Headquarters in New York. Organisation for the I.O.O.F. Scholarship has involved the office in much added planning and expense. South Australian Division will be host for the 1986 AHMIC and, in the State's sesquicentennial year, hopes to make the Conference a memorable one for the delegates from the other Australian States. As 1986 is also the UN designated International Year of Peace (IYP), with Australia recognised as one of the initiators of IYP, this will further add to the involvement and the work load of the Division.

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We would like to have time for fund-raising, but all the available time of volunteers and of executive committee members is taken up with such matters as arranging observances of UN Days; and carrying on the work of the sub-committees such as Status of Women Committee, Committee in Support of the Special Session on Disarmament, speaking engagements, publishing newsletter, etc. Also, for us, 1985 is a special year as it marks the 40th Anniversary of the Signing of the UN Charter and we plan celebrations to commemorate the occasion and to heighten people's awareness of the need for a continuing, effective United Nations Organisation.

As part of the service provided for schools (teaching about the United Nations and its Specialised Agencies is an integral part of the curriculum at all levels), this Division provides a 'UN Pack' each year which contains information about the functions of the United Nations Organisation. As we are no longer able to obtain multiple copies of publications needed to supply schools, much time and effort is required in research, editing and illustrating suitable material and duplicating, photocopying or printing the numbers required and at suitable levels of comprehension for the student recipients. As country students are disadvantaged in not having the ready access to resource material available to city dwellers, the Division tries to provide a wider range of inform ation for these pupils; this results in postage costs which are approaching the prohibitive for this area of our work.

It is vitally necessary that all Australians have a knowledge of their rights and responsibilities in working towards the United Nations aims of creating a world without war, without want, where all its citizens are able to achieve the full potential of their capabilities. Providing this knowledge is, in a large part, the reason for the United Nations Association's existence. This is a nearly impossible task without adequate, skilled, informed staff with a paid co-ordinator to ensure continuity.

The State Government Grant is currently \$3,000 (an amount which has not increased in many years). In order to work effectively, provide a competent information and resource/research facility, supervise the many aspects of the Division's operations, we request an increase of an additional \$10,000. An amount of \$13,000 would enable the Division to employ an office manager part-time, thus free ing executive committee members and volunteers to concentrate on fund-raising, increasing membership, providing better school material, allowing more time for research for the many queries received from G overnment Departments, schools, universities, members of the public, etc.

MORE DETAILED INFORMATION

PATRON

Our Patron, His Excellency the Governor Sir Donald Dunstan, received the President and Hon. Secretary at Government House and talked with us about the work of our Association.

UNAA and UNICEF COMMITTEE of S.A.

At the time of the last AGM the two organisations were officially separate organisations, but for financial reasons the S.A. Division shared premises with UNICEF Committee of S.A. on a "grace and favour" basis until December 4th. We record our appreciation to the UNICEF Committee for this arrangement, which was not ideal because of limitations of space for both organisations. We look forward to working together in the future in complementary basis. Recently this Division was accepted as an Agent for the sale of UNICEF cards.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

We started this year looking for both a new Treasurer and Auditor. We express our gratitude to Mr Geoff Purdie and Mr David Beecher for giving us a year of financial stability and for the time they have spent on bringing our books up to date and re-organising them. They have been assisted on a day to day basis by our long-standing volunteer book-keeper, Mrs Jean Downes.

PREMISES

We have moved twice since March 1984; firstly into shared premises with UNICEF Committee of S.A. at 78 Hindley Street, and then to our present office on 1st Floor, 155 Pirie Street. The moving was carried out at minimal (financial) cost mainly by Barbara and Audrey Godson, Kath Fuller and Jean Downes. Our new sittation enables us to work closely with other related groups which share our concerns at international level. We are at present entering a more formal arrangement whereby a "consortium" may be formed to lease the entire floor.

Grant from the NORMAN COLE FOUNDATION

Our application for a grant of \$4,000 was successful on the basis of distribution of information to educational bodies. It will greatly assist in our work with schools. We express our thanks to Erica Williamson, a volunteer, who has used her skills in graphics to produce UN material in a form more attractive to young people.

DONATION

We record with gratitude the donation of \$1,000 from Mrs Dorothy Rundle towards the work of the Division.

SALES TAX EXEMPTION

We have been granted exemption from Sales Tax on printed material for educational purposes, printed by an external printer. We are presently pursuing wider applications of Sales Tax Exemptions.

CONSTITUTION

Our Constitution was revised during the year; it was approved at a Special General Meeting on September 6th, 1984.

INCORPORATION

Once the Constitution was approved, it was used to support our application to become Incorporated under the Associations Incorporation Act. It is interesting to note, that before our application could be approved, permission had to be obtained from the Minister of Foreign Affairs for the words 'United Nations' to be included in our name.

EQUIPMENT

To compensate for the lack of paid staff, we have considerably updated our office equipment. Additions during the year include Electric Golf Ball Typewriter, Electronic Scanner for stencil production, new Gestetner Duplicator. Also access to a word processor and a photocopier.

NEWSLETTER

We have spent the year trying to find someone without other association responsibilities who would be prepared to take over the responsibility for the production of the newsletter. We are grateful for the assistance of those who have helped in any way; however, we still have not found a permanent editor. We changed the format during the year and have received many compliments.

VOLUNTEERS

As a result of articles in the NEWS (Barbara Page) and the Messenger Press we have recruited a number of new volunteers to join our regular band. They represent a wide range of ages, skills and amount of time available.

LIBRARY AND LIBRARIAN

Kath Fuller, our Librarian, continues to use the resources of the Library to provide answers for the many and varied enquiries we receive daily. In addition, Kath attends to the purchase of books and helps Stewart in the preparation of School Kits.

WORK WITH SCHOOLS

This is one of our most important functions. We express our gratitude to the Education Department for their assistance to us. The 1985 School Kit will be a "Special Edition" to mark the 40th anniversary of the sigining of the UN Charter.

MEMBERSHIP

Our membership has increased during the year. We were especially delighted to welcome back some schools whose membership had lapsed. Membership figures for the year: Individual and Family - 211; Corporate Groups - 35; Affiliated Schools 222.

VISITORS

During the year we have informally entertained the following visitors:

Jose Ramos Horta - East Timor;

Jack Sheppard - Pensioners for Peace International

Maxwell Nemadzivhanani - Pan African Congress

The President was also entertained at dinner by Department of Foreign Affairs to meet Jozef Goldblatt from the Stockholm International Peace Research Institue in Sweden.

EXECUTIVE

The Executive has met regularly (monthly). We welcomed several new members from new organisations. However, sickness, overseas absences, pressure of work and responsibilities within own organisations, prevented some members of the executive from giving as much assistance as they would have wished.

SUB-COMMITTEES OF EXECUTIVE

Only two committees have functioned during the year due either to lack of members or of conveners. Their work has been shared by members of the executive or by volunteers.

We had hoped to form active sub-committees on Education, Fundraising, Activities, Membership and Promotion. This will remain an aim for the next year.

DISARMAMENT COMMITTEE

In July 1984, Shan Hoskyns relinquished his position as chairman after many years service, but resumed the role again in 1985 when the new Convener, Barrie Halcrow left for 8 months overseas. Colleen Clothier resigned as secretary earlier in the year; she has been succeeded by Jo Mountwinter. The major activities of the committee include:

Letters for Peace Campaign (a Federal responsibility as well)
Co-ordinating activities during Disarmament Week
Being represented on committee planning Hiroshima Day
and Palm Sunday Rallies.

Presenting written and oral submissions to the Parliamentary Committee on Disarmament and Arms Control

Sponsoring and arranging the visit to Adelaide of Jack Sheppard from Pensioners for Peace International (U.K.)

Calling the inaugural meeting to form an Adelaide Branch of Pensioners for Peace.

STATUS OF WOMEN COMMITTEE

The Committee continues to meet monthly, since its formation during International Women's Year. It is a valuable forum for an exchange of views by women from a wide range of organisations. To mark the End of the Decade for Women a Workshop was held on May 11th on the theme

"Development Depends on Women - Women Depend on Each Other" to explore questions relating to development aid and the effect of such aid on women. The Chairperson is Mrs Alder Hall and the Secretary is Mrs Janet Wood.

FUNCTIONS ORGANISED FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS

Monthly Luncheons

During 1984 We continued a monthly luncheons with excellent speakers but very disappointing attendances by members. However, copies of the addresses given were included in the Newsletter on most occasions.

May: Greek Consul; June: AHMIC Delegates; July Peter Basset on Foreign Aid; August: Sandy Whitelaw on W.H.O.; September: Janet Horgan - CAA; November: Ray Whitrod - Victims of Crime.

Namibia Day Joint Observance with S.A. CARE in form of dinner, with guest speaker Lord Tony Gifford, QC.

Disarmament Week Festival of Films related to peace and disarmament

Display in State Library of books and posters

Silent Vigil for Peace

JuMPP Display of Entries and presentation of National Awards by Judith Barr at State Bank

United Nations Day Meeting held in co-operation with Development Education Group on theme of Development Information and Education Speaker Lyn Lee from ADAB.

Human Rights Day Observance arranged with Amnesty in Rundle Mail with African music. theme - apartheid and imprisonment of political prisoners.

International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination

Guest Speaker was Lois O'Donoghue, Australian of the Year, who spoke from an aboriginal perspective.

World Health Day Observance was held at Adelaide Children's Hospital. Organised by Dr Allen Gale, IYY theme was MENTAL HEALTH AND YOUTH: with panel of speakers.

Jointly chaired by President of SA Division of UNAA and Youth Adviser to Minister of Health.

JuMPP

The Junior Media Peace Prize, sponsored by Women's International League for Peace and Freedom and UNAA, and organised on a National basis by Stewart Barnes, has changed its focus from a competitive PRIZE to a co-operative PROJECT on the basis — creating peace requires co-operation, not rivalry. However, from time to time, outstanding entries will be published and entries will be displayed annually on the UN Designated International Day of Peace.

<u>PUBLICITY</u> has increased slightly during the year. Due to the efforts of Allen Gale, United Nations tapes are regularly played on radio 5 UV.

MEMBERSHIP of other ORGANISATIONS

We are represented on the Development Education Group and on A.C.E. TV multicultural education committee (for community access).

FEDERAL MATTERS

The President has accepted a position as one of the Federal Vice-Presidents.

Heather Southcott, Ron Hall, Shan Hoskyns and Stewart Barnes attended the Federal Council meeting and Conference in Melbourne in August. The first day was devoted to business and resolutions, with the second day being given over to an IYY seminar with guest speakers.

The business of the Federal executive between the annual Council meetings is carried on by telephone hook-ups.

Earlier in 1985, the Secretary-General of United Nations, Javier Perez deCuellar was entertained at a dinner in Sydney.

I have left until last the most important achievements of this division during the past year; that is, the re-formation of the United Nations Youth Association Unless we can enthuse young people with the aims of our Association we cannot count ourselves successful.

AHMIC

Ten delegates represented SA in Perth in May 1984 and came back so enthused that they took the initiative in re-forming UNYA which had lapsed. The small group worked closely with Stewart Barnes (liaison) to call meetings of students from all secondary schools who might be interested in AHMIC 1985. Information was sent to all schools, IYY committees and YACSA. A camp was held in December for potential delegates, who were also asked to write an essay on the theme "What you hope Youth will Achieve through IYY in 1985". As a result 11 representatives and one observer from SA attended AHMIC in Hobart in May 1985.

INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODD FELLOWS

An additional incentive for our AHMIC delegates was the offer by IOOF to pay travel and accommodation costs for one of the delegates to visit U.S.A. on a 'Youth Pilgrimage', joining 40 American students for one month. While in U.S.A., the delegate will travel from California to New York, visiting places of historic and scenic interest en route, spend one week in New York visiting United Nations Headquarters and UN Agency offices, then return, via Niagara Falls to California.

The successful delegate was Jenny Boxer.

We congratulate Jenny on her success, and indeed congratulate all those young people who set such a high standard and gave the IOOF officers such a difficult task. We record our gratitude to N. Ian Witton and his Board for their generous gesture during IYY and look forward to continuation of the scheme over the years ahead.

UNYA

As a result of the activities of the AHMIC delegates, steps were taken to reform UNYA. Meetings were held and a steering committee elected. The constitution was revised and approved. Several fundrais ers were held (car washes, cake stalls, a dinner) to raise \$656.00 towards the AHMIC delegates travel expenses. The group staffed a booth at Youth Expo in Elder Park. The President, Greg Priebbenow, took the initiative in organising an IYY - Students Respond Conference, sponsored by UNYA and YACSA. Between 150 and 200 students attended. A grant of \$750.00 was obtained by IYY to cover the costs. A pre-conference seminar was held to train facilitators from secondary schools.

Congratulations must be extended to all the young people concerned for their enthusiasm, participation and organisation. UNYA now has a representative on the Executive Committee.

THE WAY AHEAD

Our aim must be to consolidate and continue our present activities; to find funds for paid staff; to plan appropriate celebrations for the 40th anniversary of the signing of the Charter on June 26th; to continue our IYY role and to start planning for our involvement in International Year of Peace in 1986; to plan for the 1986 AHMIC which will be bekt in Adelaide at Collegiate School of St Peter in May; to increase our membership; to increase the involvement of members, both in our activities, and on all our committees.

I look forward to the year ahead; I hope you are enthused too.

I wish to record my personal thanks to all who have supported the work of the Association in South Australia during the past year.

HEATHER SOUTHCOTT PRESIDENT

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISION INC.

YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 1985

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SOUTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISION INC.

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1985

		1984 \$	1985 \$
	INCOME		
	Subscriptions	2,304	5,044
	Donations	354	1,417
*	Publications - Sales	6,346	6,002
	State Government Grant	3,000	3,000
	Sundry income	41	751
	Bank interest	1,047	587
	Commission	7,500	5,307
	Functions (nett)	57	(180)
	Norman Percy Cole Foundation Grant		4,000
		20,649	25,928

^{*} It has been decided to show Purchases of Publications as an expense as the Income from Sales does not relate directly to the Purchases in any given year. For the sake of consistency, the 1984 accounts have been adjusted similarly.



SOUTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISION INC.

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1985

	1984 \$	1985 \$
EXPENDITURE	,	·
Publications - Purchases	4,623	3,759
Commission	PROF	5,307
Salaries	10,624	705
Rent, rates and taxes	4,661	815
Printing and stationery	977	1,034
Travelling expenses	226	
Repairs and maintenance	102	98
Insurance	495	(105)
Newsletters	680 654	764 860
Office Expenses Telephone	654 857	461
Light and power	276	233
Subscriptions	391	249
Depreciation	157	437
Removal expenses	134	503
Provision for long service leave	136)
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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE SUMMARY		
Income	20,649	25,928
less Expenditure	24,993	15,480
	(4,344)	10,448
Add Accumulated Funds at 1 April 1984	10,734	6,390
ACCUMULATED FUNDS 31 MARCH 1985	6,390	16,838
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SOUTH AUSTRALIA DIVISION INC.

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 1985

	1984	1985 \$
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E.M. Roach No. 2 account Cash on hand Accounts receivable (Note 2) ANZ - Investment account	2,000.00 90.62 1,060.09 1,000.00	44.40 64.14 16,790.41
Less J.H. Vaughan & E.M. Roach (UNICEF)	4,262.37 6,440.95	16,790.44
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^{*/**} The effect of the decision to separate U.N.A.A. (S.A.DIV.) INC. as at end March 1984 meant the transfer of J.H. Vaughan and E.M. Roach Assets to U.N.I.C.E.F. Additionally, an asset held by U.N.I.C.E.F. has been transferred. The Reconciliation is as above.

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SOUTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISION INC.

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1985

NOTES ACCOMPANYING THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1 : Basis of Accounting

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the historical cost convention and accordingly Balance Sheet values do not necessarily reflect realisable values or changes in the purchasing power of money.

The Income and Expenditure concept has been applied with the exception that no account has been taken of members' subscriptions in advance or in arrears.

Note 2 : Accounts receivable

Interest on ANZ general account	\$64.14
Note 3: Furniture and equipment	with committee and a service of the committee of the comm
Depreciated value 31 March 1984 Add Capital Additions: Electronic Scanner Desks	\$890.85 1,903.00 120.00
Less depreciation at 15% per annum Depreciated value 31 March 1985	2,913.85 437.08 \$2,476.77
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GEOFFREY H. PURDIE
Honorary Treasurer.

AUDITOR'S REPORT

I have examined the books of account of the United Nations Association of Australia (South Australian Division) Inc. and from this examination, together with the explanations received, report that, in my opinion the above Statements of Receipts and Expenditure for the year ended 31 March 1985, together with the Balance Sheet as at 31 March 1985, give a true and fair view of the financial position of the United Nations Association of Australia (South Australian Division) and the trading results for the year ended on that date.

Signature

DAVID R. BEECHER Honorary Auditor.

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