



UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION
OF AUSTRALIA

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISION Inc.

ANNUAL REPORT

1999 – 2000

FIFTIETH ANNUAL REPORT

INTERNATIONAL YEAR FOR THE CULTURE OF PEACE



UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA
SOUTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISION INC

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UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA (S.A. DIV) INC
PRESIDENT'S REPORT 1999 - 2000 by Heather Southcott

OVERVIEW

A busy year yet again, we achieve a good deal considering we have no paid staff. We are dependent on our long serving / long suffering - volunteers. We maintain our high profile through representation on committees and networking.

I represented UNAA on the steering committee for the International Year for Older Persons. One of the highlights of the year was the workshop "A SHARED FUTURE / YOUTH / SENIORS" which was attended by both UNAA and UNYA members.

We have now moved on to the International Year for a Culture of Peace. It is a UNICEF year, but no one government agency is responsible in Aust. We are very grateful to Stella Cornelius and her Conflict Resolution Network for coordinating efforts of NGOs. Many organisations are active throughout the community; the Psychologists for the Promotion of World Peace have produced a special [poster / calendar for the year

South Australia is the venue for the United Nations Youth Conference this year. The organisation is under the control of a special committee coordinated by Julian Egan. The theme is "Pathways to the Future"

A new venture this year is the formation of a committee in South Australia to work on the International Year of Community Project. A successful public meeting was organised by Caroline Gatehouse. One member of the committee conducted a workshop in Samoa presenting the concept.

We record with great sadness the death of Denise Ilsley after a long illness. Denise joined our committee representing the Bahai community and quickly became a much loved and active member with a strong commitment to human rights. We will miss her and her dedication.

Ricky Lee, another active member of the Executive has moved to Canberra. We first met Ricky as a member of UNYA; then he formed a UN Student Association at the University of Adelaide. Ricky also supervised our politics students' intern programme. Ricky will remain a member in S.A. and will continue to assist us. Thank you Ricky

Caroline Gatehouse who worked on the International Year of Community is not able to continue on the Executive due to distance. Thank you Caroline.

One of our office volunteers Margaret Abbott found employment nearer to her home. We miss her, particularly in her organisation of our posters

We are making progress with information technology, thanks to John Crawford. We now have E-Mail. Some training is still required.

End of Life issues across cultures and religions was addressed at a workshop which was funded by a grant from the Office of Multicultural and International Affairs. This was part of our contribution to IYOP

During Refugee Week we ran an information evening on the topic of Child Soldiers. I became a member of the working committee on the Aust.Coalition against Use of Child Soldiers which played an important role in the adoption of the optional protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child.

Sathavy Suos organised a special meeting to focus on Cambodia. We worked with Global Education, Amnesty, Caritas, and the South Australian Council of Churches

During Children's Week, Betty Sumner and her family initiated us into language, culture, and dance of the Indigenous Community

Our speakers at our Annual General Meeting on May 23rd were two young women lawyers Michelle Jarvis and Katarina Grenfell who have both worked at the UN and on international issues.

Both UNAA Status of Women Committee and the United Nations Youth Association continue to work effectively, they will present their own reports. We thank all their members for their hard work and dedication

Two young politics students worked with us under the Internship Project of the University of Adelaide Politics Department. They worked on topics of interest to UNAA under the supervision of Ricky Lee.

One World Collective has finally been deregistered. The surplus money was distributed to "like-minded organisations" with each member deciding where they would like their share to go
\$953.22 each was given to the Ecumenical Jubilee Foundation, Amnesty International (Australia) Indian Village Sub-continent Project and
\$476 - each to Austcare and Unicef (Aust)

Our lease at Torrens Building has been extended for two years to 30/6/2001. The Tenants Forum meets regularly and we are gradually having some of our longstanding requests met.

FINANCIAL ISSUES

We received a grant of \$3500 again from the State Government who also

support us through their subsidy of our rent.

We also received a special multicultural grant of \$500 for our IYOP "End of Life" project

We did not receive a grant from the Norman Percy Cole Trust in the last financial year. They made a special payment this year of \$10,000 which allowed us to make our usual distributions in 1998 and 1999 to Children's Week Encouragement Grants and to our Youth programme. (totalling \$8000) Although this grant needs to go to "disadvantaged groups, we were given special permission to use the extra \$2000 to change over our photocopier.

It is of concern that our membership is somewhat static; we need to have more members as fees do not cover our expenses.

FEDERAL INVOLVEMENT

We welcomed Margaret Reynolds as our Federal President with joy with her wide experience of UN and other international issues and fora

I continue to serve as Human Rights Convener with the support of the S.A. Committee. I attend consultations between DFAT and National Human Rights Organisations (AFHRO) twice a year.

I represent South Australia on the Federal Executive which meets by telephone conferences in between the annual Federal Council Meeting

I attended the Federal Conference and Council meeting in Sydney

A useful tool has been developed in the form of a National Resource Folder. We continue to work on the guidelines applying to UNAA and UNYA cooperation. We continue to make submissions to enquiries

relating to international issues and treaties; these are prepared by the Administrator in consultation with the Federal President and others.

CONSULTATIONS / BRIEFINGS / ATTENDANCES

I met with the Australian Ambassador to Belgrade, Chris Lamb and the Australian High Commissioner to Nigeria (Matthew Nieuhaus)

I attended an ACFOA briefing provided by Jim Redden

I attended and laid a wreath at the UN Peacekeepers service at the War Memorial on UN Day and attended a Bahai celebration also on that day

I have spoken at several meetings, some televised on ACE Community TV

and have broadcast regularly from COAST FM community radio

SUPPORT TO INDIVIDUALS AND ORGANISATIONS

Support includes cause of the Deaf / Blind, Kalaya Aboriginal Kindergarten, Sudan Peoples Liberation Movement, and the Reconciliation Public Art Project

We continue to network and cooperate with other groups.

VOLUNTEERS I wish to thank all our office volunteers, especially our invaluable librarian, Cynthia James. We respond to wide-ranging requests from the community including assistance with research.

And our hard working Executive who are also volunteers..



STATUS OF WOMEN COMMITTEE

UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA



(SOUTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISION)

ANNUAL REPORT 1999 - 2000

The Status of Women Committee is a committee of the South Australian Division of the United Nations of Australia. Our Committee's terms of reference are to examine and where necessary to take action with regard to all factors - political, educational, economic, legal and social - which affect the equality of the status of men and women. In particular, to study and help implement the World Plan of Action, which was ratified at the World Conference on Women. We are committed to upholding the United Nations Convention on the Elimination of all forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW.), adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations in December 1979. Membership is open to any organisation or individual interested in promoting women's rights as laid down in the United Nations Decade for Women. 18 women's organisations are represented on our committee, and many of the independent members have previously been organisational representatives.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES:

Throughout this year, the Status of Women Committee has continued its close interest in issues for women prisoners. In June 1999, we wrote to the "Advertiser" and to the Minister for Correctional Services expressing our confidence in prison management and strongly supporting the current policy direction of implementing early rehabilitation programs for women prisoners. We are closely associated with the Friends of Women in Prison group (formerly called the Adelaide Women's Prison Support Group), which has obtained the use of a large residence 'Taryn House', to offer supported post release accommodation for women prisoners. Taryn House has been operating since January 1998, initially funded by grants from non-government sources, and has assisted over 80 women. Negotiations with the State and Commonwealth Government resulted in approval finally being given for partial funding on a one-off 12 months pilot project basis, effective from 1st March 2000. This will permit increased hours of supervision of the women residents during evenings and on weekends. The additional workers are expected to commence duties at the beginning of May.

We collaborated with the Australian Federation of University Women and held a public meeting on 25th June 1999. Three women from non-government organisations, who had attended the 43rd session of the C.S.W. in New York in March 1999, were invited to give an account of those meetings, deliberations and decisions. They also summarised progress on the implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action, including the discussion of the section on "Health", the final version of the Optional Protocol for CEDAW which removes all previous reservations to CEDAW. (It was noted that the Australian Government previously had two reservations to the Convention: (a) on paid maternity leave, and (b) women in the armed forces being engaged in active service in combat zones. While Australia's reservations to the issue of women serving in armed combat now seem to have been overcome, Australia has not ratified the International Labour Organisation Convention on paid maternity leave.) We were very pleased with success of this event, as a wide range of women's organisations were represented, the speakers were excellent, their accounts of the deliberations in New York were most informative and there was a lively discussion of ongoing issues facing the United Nations. It was felt that considerable lobbying would be needed to persuade Australia and other signatory countries to ratify the Optional Protocol to the CEDAW Convention before the United Nations signs it in 2000.

In July, I represented our Committee at the Pacific Sub-Regional Conference of non-government organisations in Sydney. The 200 delegates reviewed each of the 12 Critical Areas of Concern outlined in the Beijing Platform for Action, identified priority issues, gains, gaps and emerging issues, particularly the fundamental human rights issues and inequalities faced by women from Pacific Islands. It was generally agreed that while a few gains had been made, on the whole not much progress had been achieved. Recommendations were made to the Asian Regional Conference held in Thailand in August 1999 preparatory to the Beijing Plus Five Conference scheduled for June 2000 in New York.

In September we participated in the community consultation on Beijing Plus Five and the CEDAW Optional Protocol organised in Adelaide by the Commonwealth Office of the Status of Women. 62 women attended, including representation by 15 non-government women's groups not previously known to the Office. In all, 18 consultations were held throughout Australia, with over 300 participants from more than 85 organisations. Key concerns identified included the effect of 'economic rationalism' upon women; continuing incidence of gender inequality and covert discrimination; vulnerability of women with poor access to education and inadequate financial resources (particularly indigenous and migrant women) and the under-valuing of women's roles such as roles in the family and unpaid work.

In February 2000, we attended a forum hosted by the South Australian Office for the Status of Women and the SA Multicultural Affairs Commission to launch "Partnerships Against Domestic Violence". The keynote speaker was Senator Jocelyn Newman Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for the Status of Women. The particular intent was to involve representatives of major religious denominations in the campaign.

Following the 44th session of the Commission of the Status of Women in New York in March 2000, we are jointly sponsoring a public meeting in mid April. 3 young women from non-government organisations who attended will be invited to report back on the sessions and give updates on preparations for the Beijing Plus Five Conference. The young women's forum will be held during the AFUW Triennial Conference. A further public forum to discuss those issues is planned for May 2000, including an overview by Camel O'Loughlin, Director of the South Australian Office for the Status of Women, of our progress in South Australia towards implementing the Beijing Platform for Action.

We have been closely associated with the planning for the World March of Women campaign, which was launched on 8th March 2000, coinciding with International Women's Day. The idea of the World March originated in Canada following the huge success of a "Bread and Roses" march by 850 women in Quebec in 1995. Their march against poverty included 9 demands for economic justice for women. So far, 3,190 groups of women from 153 countries have joined the campaign. Over the following months, signatures will be collected worldwide, culminating in the lodging of millions of postcards at the United Nations on October 17th 2000. An Australian web-site has been set up to provide information about the campaign, which is focussing on the elimination of poverty and violence against women. On October 7th, Dance Fests will be held around Australia to celebrate the campaign

OTHER ACTIVITIES:

Throughout this year, there have been concerns about the de-funding of the Women's Studies Resource Centre by the Education Department. A teacher/librarian position replaced that of the Coordinator, and funding of the position and operating expenses were eventually extended until 30th June 2000. Our Committee has joined a lobbying campaign involving sending petitions and letters of support for the Centre, which holds a unique collection and has been operational for 24 years. While negotiations are continuing, other avenues of funding support and alternative libraries have been investigated in attempt to retain the entire collection intact and to ensure that the deposit is accessible to community borrowers and students alike.

Last year, on learning that the budget for AusAid funding for international family planning programs in developing countries had not been finalised, we wrote to the Minister for Foreign Affairs. We urged that there be no further cuts to Australia's AusAid funding of non-invasive, culturally appropriate family planning services for women in developing countries. It was therefore gratifying to meet a community health worker from New Guinea at the Sydney Non-Government Organisations Conference in July 1999. Her highly successful family planning education of women in the highlands was a direct result of those AusAid programs, and confirmed the value of such forms of international aid.

OTHER ISSUES:

In March this year, we attended a community briefing session chaired Justice von Doussa of the Federal Court of Australia to outline role of the Court following the re-structuring of the Human Rights and Equal Opportunities Commission. The Court will now hear complaints of unlawful race, sex and disability discrimination.

During the year, we invited several guest speakers to our committee meetings. Michelle Jarvis (who was guest speaker at the UNAA 1999 Annual General Meeting) spoke at our April meeting on the application and relevance of international laws and United Nations Conventions to issues affecting women in armed conflict, eg the conduct of war trials. Heather Southcott spoke about the issue of Child Soldiers in relation to an Optional Protocol Convention on the Rights of the Child and the involvement of children in armed conflict. We have continued to support and participate in many functions associated with reconciliation with aboriginal communities, including participating in the community consultations on the Draft document for Reconciliation; and Sophia Centre functions; an Australian Institute of International Affairs lecture on "Indonesia and East Timor". We continue to follow with interest the gradual progress in landmine clearance and detection programs. We are pleased to see some progress towards securing the site and plans for the future re-erection of the facade of the former South Adelaide Creche within close proximity to its former site, and where it will be closely connected with the operations of a contemporary child care centre.

We have attended many forums, seminars, conferences, dinners, luncheons, annual general meetings and other functions organised by our large network of organisations on a diverse range of issues. Among these were: the highly successful UNIFEM Breakfast; the International Women's Day March and Luncheon; Reclaim the Night March; National Council of Women seminars; Older Women's Advisory Council Speak Out; a BPW Candle-lighting Ceremony Dinner; Community Project Forum, YWCA fund-raising dinners, Council on the Ageing seminars, Uniting Church Adult Fellowships Day; Soroptimist International 50th Anniversary dinner; launch by Pru Goward from Commonwealth Office of the Status of Women of its Business Against Domestic Violence Campaign at a Business and Professional Women's dinner; WIS Support Group meetings; Fair Wear Campaign; and various "International Days" and functions to celebrate the International Year of Older Persons and UNAA Refugee Week and Children's Week.

FUTURE ISSUES AND ACTIVITIES:

During 1999-2000, the United Nations Commission for the Status of Women commenced its overview of progress on implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action. In June 2000, at the "Beijing Plus Five" conference, the major comprehensive review will identify gaps and emerging issues to be addressed, and will present its report to the General Assembly of the United Nations. In addition, the Year 2000 marks the International Year of Culture of Peace. Our Status of Women Committee will continue to be part of a worldwide movement of women committed to achieving significant improvements in all areas affecting the status of women.

I would like to record my appreciation of the ongoing support, interest, encouragement and cooperation of members of this Committee over the past 12 months. The constructive focus on issues before us, attendance at many functions and meetings and exchange of information with their own and other women's groups is evidence of their active commitment to our aims and objectives. I wish to particularly thank Mrs. Alleyne Womersley who has given remarkable service over the years in various executive positions. Her diligent recording of our minutes, receiving correspondence and deputising for me at various functions has been invaluable. Mrs. Mavis Ellis, our Treasurer, has kept an accurate and up to date records of our finances, while Mrs. Sheila Hill, our Vice President, brings another wider dimension to our Committee's work, and liaises very effectively. Mrs. Heather Southcott continues to provide a constant source of information and support from the United Nations Association and her wide network.

Marilyn Rolls
President



'It's our world, it's our United Nations.'

**UNYA SA Report to UNAA SA
1999-2000**

Executive Matters

At our Annual General Meeting in July 1999, the following members were elected to the Executive Committee:

Scott Ma – President
Mei Ching Chin – Vice President
Gemma Rubina – Vice President
Matthew Redmond – Secretary
Emily Hunt – Treasurer
Candice Butler – Assistant Secretary
Olivia Lott – Assistant Treasurer
Timothy Clark – Information Officer
Bill Bannear
Sarah King
Rose Linh Le
Joseph McIntyre
Sunita Padmanabhan
Michael van Dissel.

Other positions were also filled at the Annual General Meeting.

Beth Warwick – Social Activities Coordinator
Henry Parham – Secondary Awareness Programme Convenor
Bill Bannear – Global Information Committee Chairman

Representation and Networking

With South Australia taking the initiative once again, UNYA SA has provided yet another medium through which the organization can reach the broader community. This took the form of the Southern Region Programme in September 1999. This programme was specifically targeted at the socio-economically disadvantaged students of Adelaide's southern suburbs. In a composite agenda of UN and local socially based issues, UNYA SA was able establish good relations with the local council and schools in the area.

In March 2000, members of the Executive attended the People's Conference on a nuclear repository in South Australia. In April 2000, I had the opportunity to be the guest speaker at the International Understanding Assembly at Adelaide High School. I spoke about the International Year for the Culture of Peace and how young people can take an active role in promoting a peaceful community.

Conferences

The conference was held at Woodhouse in the picturesque Adelaide Hills and was attended by 30 students from outer metropolitan and regional areas of South Australia. Over the three days of the conference delegates were exposed to a range of UN related issues with an emphasis on East Timor whose recent vote and ensuing upheaval, prompted much interest with the delegates. We were fortunate enough to hear from Mr David Rutter, senior advisor to Alexander Downer and former diplomat in Jakarta, who was able to give us much insight into the history of the East Timor situation and Australia's ties to it. Overall the weekend proved to be very successful and popular among the delegates. The event generated much publicity within many school communities and we hope to undertake a similar expanded event in 2000. Congratulations to George Gardner, the best speaker in the mock General Assembly session, and Henry Cullen, the most enthusiastic and all-round delegate of the conference.

The State Conference was held at Rymill Conference Centre from 17 to 19 March 2000. The theme of the conference was 'The Health of the Global World'. Under the organisation of Henry Parham and Emily Hunt, we had a very successful weekend. On Saturday, delegates discussed issues of importance to them, including nuclear energy and its implications on the environment and indigenous affairs. The mock General Assembly was held on the Sunday of the Conference. A notable mention must go to Brendan Lim, the best speaker in the General Assembly, and Chloe Ey, the most enthusiastic and all-round delegate of the Conference.

The Boutros-Ghali Shield Competition was held in May. A preparation workshop was held at UNYA Headquarters on Victoria Square and the competition was held at the Immanuel College. Issues included the International Arms Trade, the Fiji crisis and Indonesia. Congratulations to Rowan Nicholson of Pembroke School, representing Russia, on winning the shield. Thanks go to Mei Ching Chin for the organisation of the competition.

38th National United Nations Youth Conference

Last July, Thirteen South Australians travelled over to Melbourne for UNYC '99. Delegates heard from high calibre speakers including The Honourable Alexander Downer MP, Senator Kay Patterson and Senator Lyn Allison. The delegates were also invited to a Government House Reception by His Excellency Sir James Gobbo AC, Governor of Victoria. Delegates debated in Committees in the Melbourne Town Hall and the General Assembly session was held in the Legislative Assembly Chamber of the Victorian Parliament House. Congratulations to Olivia Lott who was selected to be part of the Australian delegation to The Hague International Model United Nations (THIMUN)

39th National United Nations Youth Conference

It is not long until UNYC 2000. After 2 years of intense preparation, UNYA SA looks forward to hosting what would be one of the best conferences held. This July, twenty eight South Australians, of which sixteen were selected from the delegates who participated in the State and Regional Conference, will participate in the National Conference, which will be held at St Mark's College of the University of Adelaide.

National Council

The Executive of National Council consisted of Carrie McDougall (Tas) as President, Rebecca Jenkin (ACT) as Vice President, Sally Thompson (WA) as Treasurer, Alyson Kelly (Vic) as Secretary, Jo Sharpe (NT) as News Editor and Andrew Hudson (Vic) as Immediate Past President.

On behalf of the National Council, Ted McDonald Toone (Vic) attended the World NGO Forum in South Korea in October 1999 and Fiona Game (ACT) attended the Millenium People's Assembly at UN Headquarters in May 2000.

The National Policy Platform continues to grow as the platform on international issues for young people. UNYA SA was responsible for formulating the Australia and the Region Platform.

UNYA continues to work with government and non-government bodies. One example is our DFAT-NGO Human Rights Consultations in Canberra. UNYA is represented in this forum by the ACT Division. UNYA is also involved in the Attorney General's Human Rights' Consultations.

The highlight in the past year was the successful proposal for a youth representative to travel to New York as part of the Australian mission to the United Nations General Assembly. The Honourable Alexander Downer MP confirmed this in his keynote address at UNYC '99. The 1999 representative was Andrew Hudson, who spent two months at UN Headquarters during the 54th session of the UNGA.

Other great news is the establishment of UNYA in New Zealand and Northern Territory. Under the lead of Anna Cutfield, New Zealand sent a larger than normal delegation to UNYC '99. UNYA NT held their first conference in April 1999. I look forward to seeing the progress of the new Divisions.

Final Words

After three years in the position of President, I have seen UNYA SA grow from a group of 30 members to a very active association of over 100 members. It is evident that UNYA SA continues to provide a foundation for students to begin the long road to understanding the world around them.

Because of the larger membership size, the Executive is working towards a new organisation structure which will allow for more active participation among members across the board. This new structure will provide a greater input from the membership while reducing the heavy load of the Executive Committee.

My three years as President have been very worthwhile. I am very happy with what has been achieved in those three years, from the Boutros-Ghali Shield Competition to the Regional Conference and Speakout. I look forward to working with the new Executive Committee in making UNYA SA an even greater organisation.

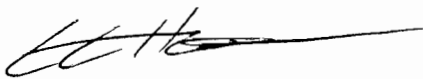
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President

**UNITED NATIONS YOUTH ASSOCIATION
SOUTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISION**

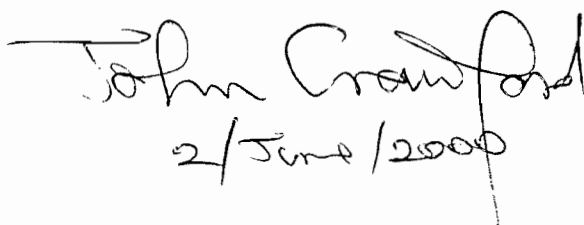
Financial Report 1 April 1999 to 31 March 2000

	1999-2000	1998-1999
INCOME		
Membership	20	100
Donations	25	0
National Conference	413	7125
State Conference	2317	800
Boutros Ghali State Conference	360	130
Fund-Raising	1090	36
Interest	10	19
Sundry	0	51
Total Income	4235	8261
EXPENDITURE		
UNYA (SA) Newsletter	0	52
National Conference	325	7070
National Conference Refund	0	505
State Conference expenses	2624	395
Boutros Ghali State Conference expenses	450	68
Fund-raising expenses	551	0
Taxes and bank charges	13	7
Office expenses, stationery & postage	267	0
Sundry	30	2
Total Expenditure	4260	8098
BALANCE		
Bank Balance 1 April 1999	215.68	694.27
Plus unrepresented cheques 1 April 1999	-	-
Less money received but not banked 1 April 1999	-	-
Plus Income	4,235.15	8260.86
Less Expenditure	-4,259.60	-8098.45
BALANCE 31 March 2000	191.23	856.68
Plus unrepresented cheques	300.00	-
Less money received but not banked	-	641
Bank Balance 31 March 2000	491.23	215.68



Hon. Treasurer
United Nations Youth Association
(South Australian Division)

I have checked the accounts of the United Nations Youth Association for the financial year from 1 April 1999 to 31 March 2000. From the records I have seen, this is an accurate record I can make of income and expenditure for this year.



2/June/2000

John Crawford
Vice President and Treasurer
United Nations Association of Australia (SA Branch)



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**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE BOARD OF THE
UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA
SOUTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISION INC**

Scope

We report that we have audited the attached financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2000. Management is responsible for the preparation and presentation of the statements and the information contained therein. We have conducted an independent audit of the statements in order to express an opinion to the members of the Board of the United Nations Association of Australia South Australian Division Inc on their preparation and presentation.

The statements have been prepared for the purpose of fulfilling the entity's financial reporting requirements under its constitution. We disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report, or on the statements to which it relates to any person other than the Members of the Board, or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.

Our audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards to provide reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. Our procedures included examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts disclosed in the statements. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion as to whether, in all material respects, the statements are presented fairly in accordance with the accounting policies described in the Note to the financial statements. These policies do not require the application of all Accounting Standards and other mandatory reporting requirements.

The audit opinion expressed in this report has been formed on the above basis.

AUDIT OPINION

In our opinion, the statements present fairly the results of the entity as at 31 March 2000, in accordance with the accounting policies described in the Note to the financial statements.

KPMG

KPMG
Chartered Accountants

Michael Burgess
Partner

Dated at Adelaide on this 25 day of May 2000



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**United Nations Association of Australia
South Australian Division Inc.**

Year Ended 31 March 2000

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**United Nations Association of Australia
South Australian Division Inc.**

Income and Expenditure Statement

Year Ended 31 March 2000

INCOME	2000	1999
	\$	\$
Subscriptions	2,055	1,980
Donations & Bequests	426	1,971
Fundraising (nett)	0	147
Fundraising Functions	0	1,400
Publications -- Sales *	689	516
State Government Grants	3,500	4,000
Bank Interest	1,152	1,199
Normal Percy Cole Foundation Grant	12,500	0
UNICEF	191	1
Transfer from Peace & Disarmament Committee	1,100	-
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	21,613	11,215
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* Purchases of Publications are shown as an expense, considering that the income from Sales do not relate directly to the purchases in any given year.

The income and expenditure statement is to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements set out on page 5.

**United Nations Association of Australia
South Australian Division Inc.**

Income and Expenditure Statement

Year Ended 31 March 2000

EXPENDITURE	2000	1999
	\$	\$
Publications -- Purchases	781	371
Equipment (* part)	3,525	--
Rent	4,113	4,078
Printing and Stationery (* part)	2,182	1,618
Insurance	425	150
Office Expenses	2,187	1,993
Telephone	809	457
Functions (nett)	468	86
UNICEF	167	0
Audit Fees: KPMG Peat Marwick	400	300
Membership (other organisations) & Donations by UNAA	75	1,465
Children's Week Committees *	4,000	--
UNYA *	500	36
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	19,630	10,554

* From the Norman Percy Cole Foundation Grant

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE SUMMARY

Income	21613	11,215
Less Expenditure	<hr/> 19630	<hr/> 10,554
	1983	661
Add Accumulated Funds at 1 April 1998	<hr/> 31956	<hr/> 31,295
ACCUMULATED FUNDS 31 MARCH 1999	<hr/> 33939	<hr/> 31,956

The income and expenditure statement is to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements set out on page 5.

**United Nations Association of Australia
South Australian Division Inc.**

Year Ended 31 March 2000

BALANCE SHEET

	2000	1999
	\$	\$
ACCUMULATED FUNDS		
Represented by:		
ASSETS		
Bank SA - General Account	714	887
Adelaide Bank Savings and Investment Account	24,000	24,000
Bank SA - Investment Account	1,073	570
Bank SA - Investment Account (Norman Percy Cole Foundation Grant)	2,500	0
Adelaide Bank Term Investment Account	5,852	6,723
Cash on Hand (Petty Cash)	15	1
Cash on Hand (float)	15	15
Accounts Receivable	120	60
TOTAL ASSETS	34,289	32,256
LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable	350	300
	350	300
NET ASSETS	33,939	31,956

The balance sheet is to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements set out on page 5.

**United Nations Association of Australia
South Australian Division Inc.**

Year Ended 31 March 2000

NOTE ACCOMPANYING THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of the United Nations Association of Australia South Australian Division Inc. are special purpose financial statements.

The accounts have been drawn up in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards except for:

- AAS 22 "Related Party Disclosure"
- AAS 28 "Statement of Cash Flows"
- AAS 33 "Presentation and Disclosure of Financial Instruments"

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

The Balance Sheet reflects the liquid position of the Association less creditors at that date.

All items of capital furniture and fittings are expensed in the accounts of the Association.


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JOHN CRAWFORD
Honorary Treasurer

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16 May 2000
Date