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Gifts to U.N. HQ

18 June

a) - List of gifts for Headquarters

b.) - Gifts addressed to the U.N. 2 NOV.
(Victor Mills - Exec. office of the Sec. Gen — to Glenn Bennett (Dept.
of Public Information)

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UNITED NATIONS
HEADQUARTERS CONSTRUCTION STAFF

Gifts for Headquarters

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<u>Donor</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Status</u>
AFGHANISTAN	1 Medium, 4 Small Rugs	At Headquarters
AUSTRALIA	Lacewood Panelling - Reception Room & 2 Offices of Executive Suite - 2nd fl., General Assembly	Installed
BELGIUM	Mural Tapestry - Delegates' Main Entrance, South End, Gen. Assembly	Installed
BRAZIL	Murals by Candido Portinari for General Assembly Building	At Headquarters
CANADA	Seven Ornamental Metal Doors - North Entrance, General Assembly	Installed
CHINA	Two Chinese Paintings	At Headquarters
DENMARK	Contribution for the design and furnishing of the Trusteeship Council Chamber - Statue by Henrik Starcke	Installed
ECUADOR	Carpets - Delegates' Lobby, South End, General Assembly Concourse	Installed
GREECE	Cast of Statue of Zeus Public Lobby, General Assembly	Installed
GREECE (RHODES)	Black Pebbles - Fountain Pool Secretariat Courtyard	Installed
INDIA	Carpets - Conference Building Concourse	Installed
INDONESIA	Two carved wooden figures, 2nd fl., General Assembly	Installed
IRAN	Carpet - 2nd floor, South Lobby General Assembly Building	Installed
IRAQ	Album containing photographs of Iraqi Antiquities - placed in UN Library, 2 April 1951	At Headquarters
ISRAEL	Jerusalem Stone - Landscaped Area, North of Secretariat	Installed

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NETHERLANDS	Foucault Pendulum - Public Lobby, General Assembly Building	Installed
NEW ZEALAND	Rimu Panelling - Delegates' Lobby, 1st floor, General Assembly Building	Installed
NORWAY	Contribution for the design and furnishing of the Security Council Chamber Mural by Per Krohg	Installed
PAKISTAN	Three Paintings	At Headquarters
SWEDEN	Contribution for the design and furnishing of the Economic and Social Council Chamber, also	Installed
SVERIGES STENINDUSTRI FORBUND(Sweden)	Marble, floor, Economic and Social Council Chamber	Installed
THAILAND	Furniture	At Headquarters
TURKEY	Rug - General Assembly Executive Offices	Installed
UNITED KINGDOM	Oak Panelling, Furniture and Carpet, Conference Room #8, General Assembly	Installed
YUGOSLAVIA	Sculpture by Anton Augustincic and Marble for base, North Garden	Installed
AMERICAN ASSN. for the UN	Contributions received from school children for the pool - Secretariat Courtyard	Installed
ALL AMERICA ROSE SELECTIONS, INC.	1500 rose bushes	Planted
CAMP FIRE GIRLS COUNCIL OF GREATER NEW YORK	Pin Oak Tree	Planted
GUGGENHEIM FOUNDATION	Mural by Jose Vela Zanetti 3rd floor, Conference Building	Installed
JAPAN BUDDHIST FEDERATION	Silk Brocade Tapestry	At Headquarters
MRS. LASKER AND CHILDREN	178 Flowering Cherry Trees and 5000 Mount Hood Narcissus Bulbs	Planted
PUBLIC	Monetary Contributions for furnishing Meditation Room, General Assembly	Installed

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UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION OF JAPAN	Bronze Bell and Housing - Landscaped Area, North of Secretariat	Installed
WOMEN'S ORGANIZA- TIONS OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE USA	Ecuadorian Rugs, General Assembly Concourse	Installed

Pending Gifts

BOLIVIA	Rugs
COSTA RICA	Wooden Flooring or Plywood Blocks or Wood Panelling
CUBA	Sculpture
GUATEMALA	Wood Panelling or Furnishings for a small room
HONDURAS	Mayan Antique for exhibition in Headquarters
IRAN	Tile
MEXICO	Mural to be painted by Rufino Tamayo
NICARAGUA	Sculpture by Amador Lira
PANAMA	Wood Panelling
UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA	Sculpture
NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR U.S. ART, INC.	Paintings
ROBERT ROSENWALD	Sculpture

19 June 1956

To: Mr. George Michalopoulos, Secretary
Advisory Committee

Mr. Michalopoulos,

You had requested a list of gifts which
we have received at Headquarters.

I am attaching hereto several copies of
a list which we have today corrected to bring
it up to date.

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cc: The Secretary-General ✓
Mr. Cordier
Mr. Turner
Mr. Bennett
Mr. Begley

Mr. Glenn Bennett,
Chief of Visitors' Service Section
Department of Public Information

2 November

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Victor Mills, Executive Officer
Executive Office of the Secretary-General

Gifts addressed to the United Nations

1. We have again been confronted with the problem of what to do with gifts addressed to the Secretary-General by the general public, and I believe it might be a good time to agree on some working formula for their disposition. It seems to me that such gifts should be routed initially to the Public Liaison and Distribution Division of Department of Public Information, which handles relations with the general public and Non-governmental organizations.

2. Up to now it has been the practice to turn over gifts of money to UNICEF if they are not specifically designated for some other activity of the United Nations, and I believe this practice should be continued. There remain, however, the other types of gifts. I should like to make the following suggestions:

(a) Gifts of considerable monetary value which cannot be used in any way by the United Nations should be returned to the sender. (Such a gift would be rather considerable stamp collection you mentioned to me.)

(b) Gifts of small monetary value which are not usable in any of the activities of the Organization should be held for a period of time, say six months, and then destroyed.

(c) Gifts of a perishable nature should be disposed of at the discretion of Department of Public Information.

(d) Gifts which are usable in the work of the United Nations should be distributed according to their applicability. (An example of this is a gift of 1,000 ball point pens which a well-wisher of the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General some time ago.)

3. These suggestions probably will not cover all contingencies but they might be a useful working formula. The Registry should be responsible only for the routing of the gifts initially to the appropriate office in Department of Public Information. Gifts should be retained by Purchase and Transportation only at the request of Department of Public Information and for a stated period of time. I do not believe that the Archives are the

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appropriate storing place for gifts from the general public. This does not, of course, apply to official gifts from governments or quasi-governmental organizations which are retained in the Archives for reasons of policy.

4. Naturally the acceptance or rejection of any gift from a member of the public which may involve political considerations should be referred to this Office.