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PRESS RELEASE

UNITED NATIONS COMPENSATION COMMISSION PAYS OUT US\$582,227,464.04

The United Nations Compensation Commission has today made available, in the second phase of payments, a total of US\$582,227,464.04 to 41 Governments and seven offices of three international organizations for distribution to 152,815 successful claimants. This amount includes US\$152,722,485.00 for 61,815 claims in category "A" (claims of individuals for departure from Kuwait or Iraq), US\$422,472,892.04 for 90,712 claims in category "C" (claims of individuals for damages up to US\$100,000), and US\$7,032,087.00 for 288 claims in category "E" (claims of corporations, other private legal entities and public sector enterprises).

The attached table lists the Governments and the international organizations receiving funds and the amounts of money to be made available to them.

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The first phase of payments involved an initial payment of US\$2,500 to each successful individual claimant in categories "A" and "C", as well as payment of the full amount to all successful claimants in category "B" (claims for death or serious personal injury). The final payments began on 8 July 1999, bringing the amounts made available for compensation in the first phase of payments to a total of US\$3,153,203,114.60 to 1,457,900 successful individual claimants in categories "A", "B" and "C".

In respect of the second phase of payments, the UNCC Governing Council in decision 73 determined that priority of payment will continue to be provided to claimants in categories "A" and "C", while also providing meaningful compensation to claimants in categories "D" (claims of individuals for damages above US\$100,000), "E" and "F" (claims of governments and international organisations). The Governing Council decided that transfers shall be made to approved claims in all categories when there are funds in the Compensation Fund sufficient to make a payment of US\$25,000 (or the unpaid principal amount of the award if less) in respect of each approved claim. Once that amount has been paid on all awards of claims in categories "A" and "C" and all approved claims in categories "D", "E" and "F", the amount for further payments on all claims shall increase to US\$75,000 (or the unpaid principal amount of the award if less). On 23 September 1999, the Commission commenced the second phase of

payments by making available US\$481,224,655.70 to 73 Governments and nine offices of three international organisations for distribution to 167,730 successful claimants in categories "A", "C", "E" and "F". On 14 October 1999, the Commission made available US\$11,800,599.38 to 21 Governments and two international organizations for distribution to 687 successful individual claimants in category "D".

Funds to pay the awards of compensation are drawn from the United Nations Compensation Fund which receives 30 per cent of the revenue generated from the export of Iraqi petroleum and petroleum products. Funds are made available in accordance with the "oil-for-food" mechanism established by Security Council resolution 986 (1995) and extended by Security Council resolutions 1111 (1997), 1143 (1997), 1153 (1998), 1210 (1998) and 1242 (1999).

The present payment brings the overall amount of compensation made available to date by the United Nations Compensation Commission to US\$4,277,162,288.20.

Further information about the Commission can be found on the UNCC website located at <http://www.uncc.ch>.

UNITED NATIONS COMPENSATION COMMISSION

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF PAYMENTS OF CATEGORY "A", "C" AND "E" CLAIMS

Second phase of payment - 18 November 1999

	Country	Category "A", instalment 3 (US\$)	Category "A", instalment 4 (US\$)	Category "C", instalment 3 (US\$)	Category "C", instalment 4 (US\$)	Category "E", (US\$)	Total (US\$)
1	Australia	17,500.00	45,500.00		76,602.96		139,602.96
2	Austria				23,397.02		23,397.02
3	Bahrain		13,500.00		17,828.64		31,328.64
4	Bosnia- Herzegovina		1,334,500.00		25,000.00		1,359,500.00
5	Brazil		1,500.00			25,000.00	26,500.00
6	Bulgaria		776,000.00		45,558.62	61,260.00	882,818.62
7	Canada		202,000.00		841,310.79		1,043,310.79
8	China		2,133,000.00		12,017.83	75,000.00	2,220,017.83
9	Croatia		10,500.00		17,319.36		27,819.36
10	Czech Republic		72,500.00		110,078.24	25,000.00	207,578.24
11	Denmark		1,500.00		125,740.15		127,240.15
12	Ethiopia		28,500.00		10,917.76		39,417.76
13	Federal Republic of Yugoslavia	402,000.00	1,512,000.00		17,271.44		1,931,271.44
14	Finland		4,000.00		6,800.00		10,800.00
15	France		73,000.00		356,325.20		429,325.20
16	Germany		16,500.00		339,077.28		355,577.28
17	Ghana		4,500.00				4,500.00
18	Greece		7,500.00		120,743.66		128,243.66
19	Hungary		56,000.00		103,238.70		159,238.70
20	Iceland		2,500.00				2,500.00
21	Ireland		36,500.00		387,483.60		423,983.60
22	Italy		47,500.00		249,752.62		297,252.62
23	Japan		359,500.00		635,329.16	25,000.00	1,019,829.16
24	Jordan	42,922,000.00	7,735,000.00		17,543,370.08		68,200,370.08
25	Kuwait	52,781,000.00	20,079,000.00	88,830,650.00	300,488,883.58	6,695,827.00	468,875,360.58
26	New Zealand		2,500.00		56,256.19		58,756.19
27	Nigeria				3,209.34		3,209.34
28	Norway		5,500.00				5,500.00
29	Pakistan	65,500.00	7,572,000.00		8,332,691.35		15,970,191.35
30	Poland		1,489,500.00		176,429.87	25,000.00	1,690,929.87
31	Republic of Korea		195,500.00			25,000.00	220,500.00
32	Senegal		5,000.00		2,005.19		7,005.19
33	Singapore					25,000.00	25,000.00
34	Slovenia		1,500.00			25,000.00	26,500.00
35	Spain		2,500.00		58,810.15		61,310.15
36	Sweden		13,000.00		109,668.81		122,668.81
37	Switzerland		5,500.00		4,884.86		10,384.86

	<u>Country</u>	<u>Category "A", instalment 3 (US\$)</u>	<u>Category "A", instalment 4 (US\$)</u>	<u>Category "C", instalment 3 (US\$)</u>	<u>Category "C", instalment 4 (US\$)</u>	<u>Category "E", (US\$)</u>	<u>Total (US\$)</u>
38	Thailand	1,312,985.00	944,500.00		22,598.00		2,280,083.00
39	Ukraine		3,000.00				3,000.00
40	UNDP Jerusalem		37,500.00		45,813.15		83,313.15
41	UNDP Kuwait				3,894.46		3,894.46
42	UNDP U.A.E.		5,500.00				5,500.00
43	UNDP Yemen		3,000.00		47,578.34		50,578.34
44	UNHCR Bulgaria		2,500.00				2,500.00
45	UNHCR Geneva		12,500.00		16,249.45		28,749.45
46	United States of America	69,000.00	351,000.00		3,201,402.04	25,000.00	3,646,402.04
47	UNRWA Gaza		354,500.00		6,704.15		361,204.15
48	Vietnam	277,500.00	9,316,000.00				9,593,500.00
	<u>Grand total</u>	97,847,485.00	54,875,000.00	88,830,650.00	333,642,242.04	7,032,087.00	582,227,464.04

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