Purpose and Use of the Trust Fund

The Trust Fund was established to provide assistance and support to complainants, victims, and children born as a result of sexual exploitation and abuse by United Nations staff and related personnel.

Who can donate to the Trust Fund?

Pledges to the Trust Fund can be made from Governments, inter-governmental and non-governmental organizations, private institutions or individuals. As of 31 May 2019, the United Nations is in receipt of contributions from 19 Member States.

Procedure to make pledges and transfer funds

The making of a pledge and its acceptance are to be recorded in an exchange of letters (letter of commitment or Note Verbale) between the UN and the contributing party, or, if deemed appropriate, in a more formal agreement.

Use of voluntary financial contributions

- Contributions will be received preferably as “un-earmarked funds”, meaning the funds would not be received with specific direction for a particular project, service provider or geographical area.

- Contributions shall preferably be used as “pooled funds” meaning in conjunction with other funds.

- All cost plans for the Trust Fund, including those for operational activities, include provision for programme support costs at the rate of 13% of the total annual expenditures.

- There is no specific date by which the funds will be utilized.

- The Department of Management Strategy, Policy and Compliance, as the Trust Fund Implementing Office, will not issue an annual narrative and financial report on the overall use of the Trust Fund, rather than individual contributor reports.

- Flexibility on arrangements can be discussed with the Trust Fund Implementing Office.

Any additional information on the Trust Fund may be requested to Yasna Uberoi (uberoi@un.org), Programme Officer/Conduct and Discipline Service