

UNITED NATIO NS

General Assembly



Distr. RESTRICTED

A/AC.21/W.20 23 January 1948

ENGLISH ONLY

UNITED NATIONS PALESTINE COMMISSION

<u>Supplement to</u>: Considerations Affecting Certain of the Provisions of the General Assembly Resolution of the Future Government of Palestine: <u>Assets</u> (<u>A/AC.21/W.19</u>) <u>Liquid Assets and Liabilities of the Government of Palestine</u>

1. The liquid assets and liabilities of the Government of Palestine on 31 March 1946 were grouped under the following broad categories:

ASSETS		LIABILITIES			
	LP	Milles		LP	Milles
Cash in Banks		1,000,289.283	Drafts and Remittances		564.01
Joint Colonial Fund		2,731,000.000	Deposits:		5,160,441.06
Bank Deposits		44,321.365	(a) Special Funds, etc.		2,401,099.03
Imprests		16,324.812	(b) General		498,150.00
Loans to His Majesty's Government		770,920.000	Palestine Treasury Bills		606,800.62
Advances		3.018,226.907	Renewal Funds		606,800.62
Investments		7,774,096.401	War Loans - Bearer Bonds'		4,375,120.27
			General Revenue Balance		2,373,543.74
Total		15,355,718.762	Total		15.355.718.76

N.B. Accumulated Treasury Surplus, and the proceeds of Government Bond issues naturally appear under liabilities in Government accounts.

Public Debt on 31 March 1946	LP
Palestine Government - 3% Guaranteed Stock 1962/67-	3,600,000
War Loans - Bearer Bonds*	4,985,900

* The corresponding item in the list of liabilities shows only the Unexpended Balance.

2. All of these main categories, except the Joint Colonial Fund and Imprests are made up of individual assets. A number of these individual assets, e.g. deposits on behalf of the Moslem University of Palestine, figure also as liabilities, so that the former can be adjusted only against the latter and the remaining assets alone are, in the aggregate, available for adjustment against the balance of total liabilities.

3. With regard to the disposal of the unattached liquid assets the following suggestions are made tentatively:

(a) Insofar as the Government of Palestine has liabilities to particular departments, e.g. deposits held on behalf of the Customs Department, assets equal in value to these liabilities should be divided in the same proportion as the liabilities themselves between the two States and the City of Jerusalem.

(b) This operation will leave behind a balance of assets which would be equal in value to the General Revenue Balance of the Government of Palestine. The manner in which this Treasury balance should be apportioned has been dealt with in paragraph 2 (d) of previous note.

Document in PDF format