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Title	Voluntary Contributions Report (1 January – 31 December 2019)	
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Objective	To report on the monetary and non-monetary voluntary contributions, received by the PB between 1 January and 31 December 2019	
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I. Introduction

1. As in previous years, the Permanent Bureau (PB) again received generous monetary and non-monetary voluntary contributions (VCs) which have been, are, and will continue to be, essential to ensuring that the PB can deliver outcomes of the highest order and quality.
2. To ensure that Members will continue to receive simple and clear information concerning both monetary and non-monetary VCs, this Preliminary Document includes such contributions in the form of a chronological list, covering the period between 1 January and 31 December 2019. The list is included as Annex I.
3. As announced at the 2018 Meeting of the Council of Diplomatic Representatives (CDR) and communicated on 1 July 2018 to its Members (Circular L.c. ON No 43(18)), the PB commenced reporting the VCs it receives through the Secure Portal. The PB started updating the VCs Report continuously, making the Report available on the last business day of each month. With this new approach, Members can access information any time, not just twice a year or on request. The new approach also means that the PB streamlines its reporting, while ensuring that the reporting obligations are fulfilled.
4. The PB takes this opportunity to thank all contributors for their generous support.

ANNEX

I. Monetary and non-monetary voluntary contributions to the HCCH

A. Monetary contributions from Members

Date	Contributor	Description of Use	Amount	Instrument
<i>To be received (January 2020)*</i>	Mexico	Translations of working documents into Spanish during the Special Commission on the Practical Application of Conventions (contribution 2019).	€ 5,000.00*	Other (Spanish)
12-12-2019	Participants a Bridged event	Income through ticket sales for the networking event during the a Bridged event on e-Service event, organised in The Hague, the Netherlands, 11 December 2019	€ 270.33	1965 Service; 1970 Evidence
29-11-2019	Switzerland	Hotel (non-monetary) & transportation cost (monetary) was provided for an official participating in the Annual Conference of Swiss Association of International Law, Lucerne, Switzerland, November 2019	€ 319.85	2005 Choice of Court; 2019 Judgments
18-10-2019	Brazil	To continue and progress the work in the area of co-operation in respect of protection of tourists and visitors abroad (Tourism Project)	€ 39,000.00	New Instrument (Tourism)
10-9-2019	Norway	To support the projects done under the Intercountry Adoption Technical Assistance Programme (ICATAP) and other post-Convention activities with States of origin regarding the 1993 Adoption Convention (NOK 210 000)	€ 21,019.97	1993 Adoption
12-8-2019	Germany	Support for the organisation of a symposium, focusing on technology neutrality, the use of electronic and information technology, in relation to the 1965 Service Convention on 11 December 2019 in The Hague, the Netherlands	€ 20,000.00	1965 Service
12-8-2019	China	The Embassy of the People's Republic of China provides general support to the Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific (ROAP)	€ 30,000.00	Other

* While this contribution was pledged in 2019, it was received in January 2020 and as such is not reflected in the 2019 totals.

Monetary contributions from Members (cont'd)

Date	Contributor	Description of Use	Amount	Instrument
31-7-2019	Hong Kong SAR government	Organisation of the Inaugural Global Conference 2019 Judgments Convention: Global Enforcement of Civil and Commercial Judgments, 9 September 2019, Hong Kong SAR, China (HK\$1,000,000)	€ 114,500.00	Other
30-7-2019	Argentina	Annual contribution for the operation of the Regional Office for Latin America and the Caribbean (ROLAC) (AR \$ 1.016.155,00)	€ 20,847.00	Other
13-5-2019	European Commission	Transport, accommodation and meal for an official to speak at the Work Forum on the implementation of the UNCRPD, Brussels, Belgium, 13 May 2019	€ 199.31	2000 Protection of adults
27-2-2019	Brazil	Funds to continue and progress the work in the area of co-operation in respect of protection of tourists and visitors abroad (Tourism Project)	€ 19,000.00	New Instrument (Tourism)
4-2-2019	Belgium	Contribution for the regional workshop on Intercountry Adoption for francophone countries, Abidjan, Ivory Coast, February 2019	€ 7,000.00	1993 Adoption
23-1-2019	Hong Kong SAR, People's Republic of China	Mission costs of officials participating in informal Working Group meetings 2 and 4 on the Judgments Project, Hong Kong SAR, China, February 2019 (reallocation of remaining funds originally allocated to the organisation of a regional event in Hong Kong SAR to celebrate the 125 th anniversary of the HCCH in 2018)	€ 6,296.70	2019 Judgments
			€ 278.453,16	

B. Monetary Contributions from other sources

Date	Contributor	Description of Use	Amount	Instrument
12-12-2019	Ropes & Gray (Law Firm)	Support for the HCCH a Bridged event on Electronic Service on 11 December 2019 in The Hague, the Netherlands (US\$ 2,000)	€ 1,646.68	1965 Service; 1970 Evidence

Monetary contributions from other sources (cont'd)

3-12-2019	US Friends of The Hague Conference	Support of the HCCH Internship Programme. The funds will provide monthly stipends to support up to six interns for an initial period of six months, starting on 1 January 2020 (US\$ 20,000)	€ 17,888.32	Other
9-11-2019	American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers (AAML)	Transport and accommodation of an official to attend the AAML National 2019 Annual Meeting, Chicago, United States of America, November 2019	€ 1,363.00	1980 Child Abduction; 1993 Adoption; 1996 Child Protection; and 2007 Child Support
26-9-2019	Max Planck Institute for European History	Ticket reimbursement (monetary VC) and hotel accommodation (non-monetary VC) for an official to participate in a meeting for the joint project of UNCITRAL, UNIDROIT and HCCH on international contracts law (with a focus on sales), Frankfurt, Germany, September 2019	€ 633.05	2015 Hague Principles
16-7-2019	International Academy of Family Lawyers (IAFL) Canadian Chapter	Voluntary Contribution to the work of the HCCH on family law matters (INCADAT) (US\$ 1,000)	€ 874.71	1980 Child Abduction
28-5-2019	University of Lille, France	University of Lille (France) waived registration fee (€400.00) for an official to attend Blockchain, Open Education and Digital Citizenship Conference, Lille, France, 27 - 29 May 2019	€ 400.00	1961 Apostille
17-5-2019	UNICEF Belarus	Travel costs of an official to attend the "Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction: practice of application" Conference, Minsk, Belarus, May 2019	€ 698.81	1980 Child Abduction
24-4-2019	National Notary Association, United States of America	Covered the ticket for the Secretary General to attend the National Notaries Association Conference in St Louis, Missouri, United States of America, May 2019	€ 7,953.82	Other
15-2-2019	Miles & Stockbridge P.C.	For the continuation and improvement of the International Child Abduction Database (INCADAT) (US\$ 5,000)	€ 4,401.80	1980 Child Abduction
			€ 35,860.19	

C. Non-monetary contributions from Members

Date	Contributor	Description of Use	Amount	Instrument
20-12-2019	United States of America	Travel costs and meals for the Representative for Latin America and the Caribbean to participate in the "Seminar to celebrate the 30 th anniversary of the CRC" held in Costa Rica, 21 - 22 November 2019 (USD 2,094.93)	€ 1,883.66	1980 Child Abduction; 1993 Adoption; 1996 Child Protection; 2007 Child Support
3-12-2019	United States of America	Travel costs and meals for the Representative for Latin America and the Caribbean to participate in the "I Congress of the International Association of Legal Practitioners on Family Law" (AIJUDEFSA), Santiago, Chile, 4 - 6 December 2019 (USD 1,913.09)	€ 1,720.15	1980 Child Abduction; 1996 Child Protection
21-11-2019	Canada	Accommodation for Regional Seminar of the Working Party on Mediation, Malta Process, Amman, Jordan, 19 - 22 November 2019	€ 1,305.00	1980 Child Abduction; 1996 Child Protection
20-11-2019	Poland	Ministry of Foreign Affairs covered travel, accommodation and meals for an official to participate in the 13 th Warsaw Seminar on Human Rights, Warsaw, Poland, 18 - 19 November 2019	€ 823.00	1980 Child Abduction
11-11-2019	Slovakia	Flights and accommodation for International Conference of the Center for the International Legal Protection of Children and Youth (CILPCY), organised by the Slovak Central Authority, Bratislava, Slovakia, November 2019	€ 267.00	1980 Child Abduction
20-10-2019	Brazil	Hotel and meals offered to the Secretary General on the occasion of the 11 th Forum of e-APP in Brazil, October 2019	€ 400.00	1961 Apostille
20-10-2019	Morocco	Hotel nights and meals offered to the Secretary General for his attendance at the " <i>2e édition de la Conférence Internationale de Marrakech sur la Justice</i> ", Marrakech, Morocco, October 2019	€ 614.00	Other
12-10-2019	Brazil	FUNAG, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, covered travel, accommodation and some meal costs for two officials to attend the 11 th e-APP Forum and associated meetings in Brasilia & Fortaleza, Brazil, October 2019	€ 5,643.42	1961 Apostille

Non-monetary contributions from Members (cont'd)

Date	Contributor	Description of Use	Amount	Instrument
5-9-2019	United States of America	Covered travel costs and meals for the Representative for Latin America and the Caribbean to participate in the Argentine Association of International Law Annual Meeting held in Cordoba, Argentina, 5 - 6 September 2019 (USD 614.33)	€ 551.48	Other
3-9-2019	MGIMO	Unofficial translation of the 2019 Judgments Convention into Russian	€ 380.00	2019 Judgments
14-8-2019	United States of America	Covered travel costs, hotel and meals for the Representative for Latin America and the Caribbean to undertake a mission to Bolivia and Interinstitutional meeting and Workshop on the Child Abduction and International Adoption Conventions, 15 - 16 August 2019 (USD 2,138.01)	€ 1,946.76	1961 Apostille;1965 Service;1970 Evidence;1980 Child Abduction;1980 Access to Justice;1993 Adoption;1996 Child Protection;2007 Child Support
2-8-2019	United States of America	Covered travel costs, hotel and meals for the Representative for Latin America and the Caribbean to attend a training on Child Abduction for in Florida based judges, Naples, Italy, 5 - 6 August 2019 (USD 2,638.51)	€ 2,402.50	1980 Child Abduction
18-7-2019	United States of America	Covered travel costs, hotel and meals for the Representative for Latin America and the Caribbean to participate and present at three events on Human Rights and International Child Abduction, Quito and Machala in Ecuador, and Tumbes in Peru, and meet relevant stakeholders, 22 - 26 July 2019	€ 3,556.62	1961 Apostille;1980 Child Abduction;1993 Adoption
17-7-2019	Norway	Ticket and hotel costs covered for the Secretary General to attend Ministers' Conference in Helsinki, Finland, July 2019	€ 660.99	Other; Governance
21-6-2019	European Union	Travel, food and accommodation for an official to participate in the final conference of the Euromed IV Project in Madrid, Spain, June 2019	€ 653.37	1980 Child Abduction; 1996 Child Protection

Non-monetary contributions from Members (cont'd)

Date	Contributor	Description of Use	Amount	Instrument
4-6-2019	United States of America	Covered travel costs, hotel and meals for the Representative for Latin America and the Caribbean to participate and present on family agreements involving children, at the "Conference for the 130 Anniversary of the 1889 Montevideo Treaties. Legacy and future of their solutions in the present international scenario", Montevideo, Uruguay, 5 - 6 June 2019 (USD 1,093.10)	€ 995.32	Other
15-5-2019	German Ministry of Justice	Covered expenses for an official to attend the Seminar of the German Judiciary on International Family Law in Bernried, Germany, 13 - 15 May 2019	€ 496.37	1980 Child Abduction; 1996 Child Protection
14-5-2019	Russia	Hotel costs for the Secretary General while attending Saint Petersburg Legal International Forum (SPILF), Russia, May 2019	€ 522.00	Other
7-5-2019	<i>École Nationale de la Magistrature</i> (ENM) - French Judicial Training School, France	Transport costs for an official to go to a training of <i>École Nationale de la Magistrature</i> (ENM), Paris, France, 9 - 10 May 2019	€ 186.40	1965 Service
26-4-2019	Malta	The Maltese Central Authority for the 1993 Adoption Convention covered costs of a ticket, accommodation and meal of an official to participate in a Conference on Adoption in St Julian, Malta, April 2019	€ 837.00	1993 Adoption
3-4-2019	European Commission	Travel by train, accommodation and food for an official to attend the 12 th European Forum on Children's rights in Brussels, Belgium, April 2019	€ 600.80	1996 Child Protection
21-3-2019	United States of America	Embassy of the United States of America in Buenos Aires covered costs for travel, hotel and meals for an official for a mission to Guatemala and participation in a Seminar on International Child Abduction, March 2019 (USD 2,588.06)	€ 2,298.59	1965 Service; 1970 Evidence; 1980 Child Abduction; 1993 Adoption; 1996 Child Protection; 2007 Child Support; Other
14-3-2019	Tunisia	Accommodation and meals for an official to give a two-day training on the implementation of the Apostille Convention to Tunisian Notaries, Tunis, Tunisia, 18 - 19 January 2019	€ 255.00	1961 Apostille
			€ 28,999.43	

D. Non-monetary contributions from other sources

Date	Contributor	Description of Use	Amount	Instrument
10-12-2019	<i>AVEQ Groep</i>	For the livestream webcasting for the HCCH a Bridged event, The Hague, the Netherlands, 11 December 2019.	€ 1,450.00	1965 Service
26-11-2019	<i>Université Jean Moulin Lyon 3</i>	Travel and accommodation provided for an official to attend a colloquium " <i>Le migrant et sa famille dans un mode globalisé</i> ", Lyon, France, November 2019	€ 463.00	1996 Child Protection
25-11-2019	World Bank Group	Transport and accommodation of an official to present at a roundtable with national stakeholders, and to provide a briefing on the Apostille to eight representatives of three Ministries, in Maputo, Mozambique, November 2019	€ 12,824.96	1961 Apostille; 2005 Choice of Court; 2015 Hague Principles; 2019 Judgments
16-11-2019	UNICEF	Travel, accommodation and meals for two officials to attend a two-day Seminar in Rabat, Morocco, to promote the 1996 Child Protection Convention, November 2019	€ 1,647.10	1996 Child Protection
28-10-2019	Institute of International Law of CASS (China) / China	Flight to Beijing, hotel and meals offered to the Secretary General for his participation in the 16 th International Law Forum of the Institute of International Law of CASS, China, October 2019	€ 5,934.71	Other
23-10-2019	Max Planck Institute (Luxembourg)	Transport, accommodation and meals for two officials to attend the EUFams II Project - International Exchange Seminar at the Max Planck Institute, Luxembourg, 24 - 25 October 2019	€ 1,457.01	1961 Apostille; 1980 Child Abduction; 1996 Child Protection
1-10-2019	European Law Institute (ELI)	Hotel costs of an official attending the ELI Annual Meeting, Vienna, Austria, September 2019	€ 254.00	2000 Protection of adults

Non-monetary contributions from other sources(cont'd)

Date	Contributor	Description of Use	Amount	Instrument
25-9-2019	Academy of European Law & ERA	Flights, transfer and accommodation for an official attending the ERA Annual Family Law Conference, Trier, Germany, September 2019	€ 700.00	1980 Child Abduction; 1996 Child Protection
20-8-2019	Ms Kateryna Tsirat - Jurvneshservice Law Firm	Ukrainian translation of the Hague Principles	€ 218.80	2015 Hague Principles
1-7-2019	Philippines (AsiaSIL)	Hotel costs for the Secretary General to attend the AsiaSIL conference in Manila, Philippines, 18 - 23 August 2019	€ 400.00	Other
2-6-2019	<i>Notaires de France</i>	Accommodation of an official to speak at the annual meeting of the " <i>Notaires de France</i> " (Notaries of France), Brussels, Belgium, 2 - 4 June 2019	€ 302.00	2000 Protection of adults
21-3-2019	European Law Institute	Accommodation for one official to attend the European Law Institute Conference on the International Protection of Adults in the European Union at the Catholic University of Milan, Institute of International Studies, 22 March 2019	€ 110.00	2000 Protection of adults
19-2-2019	Côte d'Ivoire - Ministry of the Woman, the Family and the Child	Contribution for the regional workshop on Intercountry Adoption for francophone countries, Abidjan, Ivory Coast, February 2019	€ 2,000.00	1993 Adoption
24-1-2019	UNICEF	Ticket and two nights' accommodation for an official to attend a Round Table on the 2007 Child Support Convention and meetings concerning the designation of judges from Morocco to the IHNJ, Morocco, January 2019	€ 455.00	1980 Child Abduction; 2007 Child Support; iSupport
			€ 28.216,58	

II. Monetary and non-monetary voluntary contributions to the iSupport Project

A. Monetary Contributions from Members

Date	Contributor	Description of Use	Amount	Instrument
8-12-2019	Belgium	Belgium's contribution to further the EU Grant for iSupport	€ 2,666.00	2007 Child Support
17-12-2019	Germany	Contribution to iSupport ISD	€ 7,500.00	2007 Child Support
29-7-2019	The Netherlands	Contribution received in advance of a further EU Action Grant (iSupport)	€ 4,000.00	2007 Child Support
			€ 14,166.00	

B. Monetary Contributions from other sources

Date	Contributor	Description of Use	Amount	Instrument
1-11-2019	European Institute for Public Administration	Train ticket (non-monetary) and one night hotel (monetary) covered for the Secretary General attending the 2019 European Awards (EPSA 2019) (i-Support nominated), Maastricht, the Netherlands, 5 - 6 November 2019	€ 122.17	2007 Child Support
			€ 122.17	

C. Non-monetary contributions from Members

Date	Contributor	Description of Use	Amount	Instrument
1-12-2019	Brazil	Contribution in human resources to the working groups of iSupport and provision of translated 2007 Convention forms	(amount unknown)	2007 Child Support
1-11-2019	Portugal	Contribution to the iSupport technical working groups for 2019	€ 550.00	2007 Child Support
			€ 550.00	

D. Non-monetary contributions from other sources

Date	Contributor	Description of Use	Amount	Instrument
9-10-2019	<i>Chambre nationale des huissiers de justice</i>	Transport for iSupport coordinator to e-CODEX meeting in Paris, September 2019	€ 354.60	2007 Child Support
			€ 354.60	