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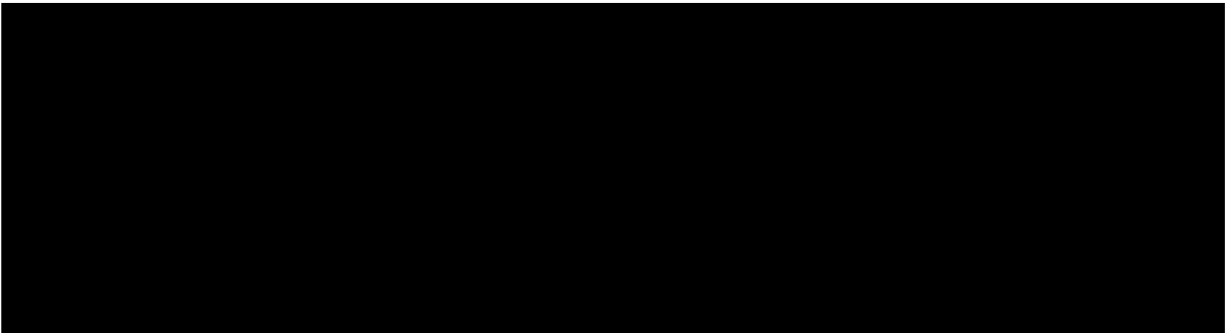
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The following statements of income and expenditure between 10 November and 31 December 1948, in the area administered by the representatives of the Politburo in Athens, were submitted on 31 December by Spyros Antipas, secretary of the Athens Finance Committee.

	1 September to 10 November Drachmae	10 November to 31 December Drachmae
1. a. Brought forward	(not quoted)	715,850,000
b. Total income	502,900,000	425,000,000
c. Total expenditure	1,038,150,000	<u>929,600,000</u>
d. Balance	(715,850,000)	211,250,000

2. Analysis of Income

a. Subscriptions and sale of Party stamps:

1) Communist organization of Athens - KOA	2,900,000
2) Communist organization of Piraeus - KOP	8,100,000
3) Communist organization of Attica - KOatt	500,000
4) Regional Committee of the Aegean	1,000,000
5) Regional Committee of Crete	7,000,000
6) Regional Committee of the Dodecanese	<u>3,000,000</u>

Total 27,650,000

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b. Enterprises in the Athens, Piraeus and Attica areas	32,900,000	25,600,000
c. Local contributions and gifts:		
1) KOA	6,000,000	
2) KOP	8,000,000	
3) KOAtt	500,000	
4) Regional Committee of the Aegean	1,000,000	
5) Regional Committee of Crete	5,000,000	
6) Regional Committee of the Dodecanese	2,500,000	
Total	28,500,000	23,000,000
d. Contributions from abroad:		
1) <u>Great Britain:</u> 500 pounds at 32,000 drachmae to the pound sent by Professor Theodoros Doganis (member of the Central Committee Apparat in London) -	16,000,000	
2) <u>Western Europe:</u> \$800 at 12,500 drachmae to the dollar sent by Melpo Axiotou (member of Central Committee Apparat in Paris) -	10,000,000	
3) <u>Branches of the Federation of Greek Seamen's Organizations-OENO abroad:</u> \$1,000 at 12,500 drachmae to the dollar sent by Demetrios Kolios (former First Secretary of OENO in Marseilles) -	12,500,000	
4) <u>United States:</u> \$800 at 12,500 drachmae to the dollar sent by Demetrios Christophorides (Editor of Greek American Tribune in New York) -	10,000,000	
5) <u>France:</u> 10,000 francs at 40 drachmae to the franc, sent by Seraphim Maximos (member of Central Committee Apparat in Paris) -	400,000	
Total:	64,750,000	48,900,000
e. Publications (from the sale of stocks)	9,100,000	7,500,000

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from KKE Central Treasury
in the mountains:

1) 500 gold pounds at 220,000 drachmae to the gold pound -	110,000,000	
2) 15,000 paper dollars at 12,500 drachmae to the dollar -	<u>187,500,000</u>	
Total	<u>340,000,000</u> <u>502,900,000</u>	<u>297,500,000</u> <u>425,000,000</u>

3. Analysis of Expenditure:

a. Salaries of officials of the Apparat and of liaisons of the Politburo and Central Committee delegations in Athens -	1 September - 10 November Drachmae <u>52,000,000</u>	10 November - 31 December Drachmae <u>36,000,000</u>
b. Travelling expenses of members and officials of the Politburo and Central Committee delegations in Athens -	14,500,000	16,000,000
c. Rents due for houses used by members and officials of the Politburo and Central Committee delegations in Athens -	19,100,000	12,500,000
d. Installation and upkeep expenses of the Central Underground Technical Mechanism of the Politburo and Central Committee delegations in Athens -	29,500,000	24,000,000
e. Salaries of members of the Central Underground Technical Mechanism of the Politburo and Central Committee delegations in Athens -	56,850,000	37,800,000
f. Feeding and housing expenses of wanted and "persecuted" officials -	8,250,000	14,000,000
g. Special financial contribution to officials in transit in the area of the Athens Finance Committee -	6,500,000	74,000,000
h. Other travelling expenses	78,650,000	62,700,000
i. Purchase of equipment for the technical and military sections of the Underground Technical Mechanism of the Politburo and Central Committee delegations in Athens -	62,800,000	28,500,000

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j. Purchase of equipment for the Rebel Army Attica Brigade -	-	64,000,000
k. Salaries of officials and expenses of the Underground Technical Mechanism, of the Rebel Attica Brigade -	-	36,000,000
l. Salaries, overhead, and printing expenses of the Central Enlightenment Section -	31,850,000	20,600,000
m. Expenses of "Agitatsia" and Intelligence branches of the Politburo and Central Committee delegations in Athens -	41,650,000	28,000,000
n. Financial support of families of high ranking Party officials -	21,750,000	16,000,000
o. Financial support of detained, imprisoned or deported high ranking Party officials -	26,000,000	12,000,000
p. Financial support of families of Rebel Army officers and men-	91,000,000	66,000,000
q. Financial support of families of non-KKE members of the Central Committee of EAM under detention or in exile-	88,000,000	64,000,000
r. Salaries of non-KKE members of the Central Committee of EAM still functioning -	12,000,000	12,000,000
s. Financial support of non-KKE members of the Agrarian Party of Greece - AKE in detention, under arrest or deported -	24,000,000	16,000,000
t. Financial support of non-KKE members of AKE who were still functioning -	8,500,000	8,500,000
u. Financial support of KKE Trades Union officials, and expenses incurred in the spreading of propaganda among the working population in the area administered by the Politburo delegation in Athens -	117,000,000	75,000,000
v. Financial support of the Technical Mechanisms and of non-KKE officials in the EAM Panhellenic Youth Organization - EPON, "Working Youth" and Democratic Youth" organizations -	18,500,000	14,000,000

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w.	Financial support of other Satellite organizations (Democratic Clubs, Women's philological and intellectual organizations) -	26,000,000	18,000,000
x.	Special financial support of KOA. -	107,500,000	72,000,000
y.	Special financial support of KQAtt.-	10,000,000	6,000,000
z.	Special financial support to the Regional Committee of the Aegean -	25,000,000	40,000,000
aa.	Expenses of the Party's Central Vigilance (Security) Section and of its fractions in the Greek Army and security forces -	49,750,000	32,000,000
bb.	Special financial contribution to the Greek-Soviet League -	-	10,000,000
cc.	Miscellaneous expenses -	<u>11,500,000</u>	<u>14,000,000</u>
	Total	<u>1,038,150,000</u>	<u>929,600,000</u>

4. The following remarks on the above figures were then made by Antipas:

a. Paragraph 2 (a) Party stamps.

1) Party stamps to the following drachmae value were still to be accounted for:

KOA	93,600,000	
KOP	134,000,000	
KQAtt.	8,700,000	
Regional Committee of the Aegean	17,400,000	
Regional Committee of Crete	84,400,000	
Regional Committee of the Dodecanese	41,750,000	
		<u>379,850,000</u>

2) Party stamps held as a reserve by the Athens Finance Committee - 1,070,000,000

b. Paragraph 2 (d) Contributions from abroad.

1) Contributions from Australia and Cyprus had not reached the Athens Finance Committee in time to be included in the present statement of accounts.

2) The contribution from France represented a special collection from French Communist students on behalf of Communist students in Greece.

c. Paragraph 3 (h). This covered the expenses of KKE members and officials travelling between Party organizations under the control of the Politburo delegation in Athens, and of members and sympathizers joining the Rebel Army in the mountains.

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- d. Paragraph 3 (i). This covered expenses for the purchase of arms, ammunition and explosives for the Party's underground para-military organizations.
 - e. Paragraph 3 (j) and (k). This covered the expenses of the Attica Brigade since its inception on 15 November. The Brigade's expenditure had been fixed at up to 50,000,000 drachmae per month.
 - f. Paragraph 3 (m). This included the salaries of non-KKE members of satellite organizations acting as KKE salaried officials, and the money spent on agents providing information to the Party.
 - g. Paragraph 3 (aa). This included the expenses of the Communist organization of the Army and Security Forces - KOSSA and of KKE "fractions" infiltrated into Greek security and political organizations, Ministries and other government departments.
 - h. Paragraph 3 (cc). This included expenses incurred in connection with the thirtieth anniversary of KKE and the second anniversary of the Rebel Junta.
5. Roula Rodi (member of the Athens Finance Committee) is reported to have said that, as a result of the arrests in Piraeus among the members of the professionals' and shopkeepers' Communist organizations of the Base - KOB's, the Party had lost ten regular contributors. All ten had each contributed one gold pound per month and five, who were restaurant owners, had given three to five free meals a day to Party members. It was estimated that their arrest would represent a loss to the Party of about 7,850,000 drachmae per month. Rodi is also reported to have been told by Antipas to take charge of the following articles of clothing which had been sent to Greece by Party organizations and sympathizers abroad.
- 9 new American overcoats
 - 12 second-hand American overcoats
 - 20 second-hand American men's suits
 - 5 new Italian felt hats
 - 2 parcels second-hand underwear (women's)
 - 1 parcel second-hand dresses
 - 24 pairs shoes (women's)
 - 10 pairs shoes (men's)
6. These had been received on 31 December from the SS MARINE CARP and SS NEA ELLIAS, and were taken by Rodi to a certain Golias (fnu), owner of a clothes shop in Korai Square, Piraeus. However, prices offered by Golias were considered to be insufficient, and the clothes were sent for distribution among deportees on Khios and Lemnos.
7. It is also reported that Zisis Zographos (KKE Central Security official) was responsible for the collection of funds brought in from abroad by unspecified members of OENO serving in the crews of merchant and passenger ships. The money received was given by Zographos to Stratos Nikolaou, a stockbroker in charge of the Athens Finance Committee's "Yiafka", who converted the foreign currency into drachmae which he then handed over to Antipas.

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Comments:

- 1. At the end of each financial period (i.e. every two months) the Athens Finance Committee assessed their approximate expenditure for the next period and after comparing this with their anticipated revenue from subscriptions and routine contributions plus the existing balance in

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hand, they submitted to the Central Treasury in the mountains their estimated requirements to enable them to balance their budget.

2. Reference Paragraph 3 (g). Between 10 November and 31 December five officials (members of the Central Committees of the Peloponnese, Macedonia and Thrace) visited or passed through Athens and were each given 2,000,000 drachmae for expenses. In addition sixty-four Party members left to join the Rebel Army in the mountains and were given 1,000,000 drachmae each before they left.
3. Reference paragraph 3 (o) and (q). KKE considered that considerable sums of money should be spent towards the support of the families of non-Communist senior officials of EAM solely in order to keep such officials well-disposed toward the Party. In the case of detained senior KKE officials, the Party considered that, as Communists, they and their families should be prepared to put up with some hardship and that consequently less expenditure was necessary to keep alive their Party faith.
4. From 15 September 1948, the rate of exchange has been 32,000 drachmae to the pound. Expenditure for the period September to November was therefore approximately 31,200 pounds and for the period 10 November to 31 December was approximately 27,900 pounds.

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