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The International Monetary Fund has established, at the request of the Government of Costa Rica, a Voluntary Contribution Account to be administered by the Fund. The account is intended to assist Costa Rica in the reduction and refinancing of its public sector external indebtedness to nonofficial creditors.

Deposits held in the Account will consist of contributions made by multilateral and bilateral donors and creditors, grants and loans extended to Costa Rica and placed in the Account by Costa Rica, and amounts transferred from Costa Rica's international reserves subject to the provisions of the Account Instrument. Disbursements will be made by the Fund in accordance with Costa Rica's instructions to the Fund.

The Fund's authority to accede to Costa Rica's request stems from Article V, Section 2(b) of the Articles of Agreement, which allows the Fund to perform, at the request of a member country, financial and technical services, including the administration of resources contributed by members. Operations involved in the performance by the Fund of such financial services are not on account of the Fund.

