

## **Armcor Archive:**

### **Contract Data, full spreadsheets available in Excel Spreadsheet – ‘Armcor All Data’:**

Our original PAIA request to Armcor was for all contract information from 1976 to 1994. Armcor said that they do not have a database of contracts, but:

- 1) They could extract excel sheets of contracts which included information about suppliers/countries and values for the period 1991 to 1995. This was because the data which preceded this was located on a software programme that they are no longer able to access
- 2) Based on the lists provided by Armcor which contains an opaque coding system for thousands of entries, Open Secrets requested further detailed information for a limited number of these contracts (+- 190 were provided which have been fully tabulated and decoded based on information provided by Armcor).
- 3) Armcor however did provide a PDF list of approximately 600 contracts for the period 1980-1999. The document is marked ‘contract register’. Neither the full document nor the full list of contracts was provided. Based on this, we have been able to identify a number of foreign suppliers.

#### **1.1 ‘Full list by country’:**

Armcor provided a list of 1240 contracts for the period 1990/1991 to 1994/1995. This list excludes Israeli contracts. A total of 553 foreign contracts were identified which were all in violation of international sanctions. The contracts do not contain the names of companies, but do supply the project name (in most cases), some descriptions of the material and the country name. There is no indication of the value of any of the contracts. The countries are identified are:

<b><u>Country</u></b> <b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Contracts</u></b> <b><u>per country</u></b>
Argentina	1
Australia	1
Austria	5
Belgium	5
Britain/UK	87
Canada	5
Denmark	6
Europe	1
Finland	3
France	65
Germany	103
Holland	20
Italy	17
Japan	18
Malawi	1
NATO	5
Russia	8

Spain	7
Sweden	2
Switzerland	21
USA	172

**Total:** 553

## 2.1 Armscor Contracts and Values

Armscor provided an additional list of approximately 10 300 contracts for the period 1990/1991 to 1994/1995. This list states that it excludes Israeli contracts, although a number appear to be listed. A total of +-1050 foreign contracts were identified which were all in violation of international sanctions. The contracts do not contain the names of companies, but do supply the project name (in most cases), and some descriptions of the material. There are no details of the source countries. However, the value of each contract is provided with a breakdown of payments made in each of the financial years from 1990/1991 to 1994/1995.

In analyzing this data, we excluded any contracts where payment commenced in the financial year 1994/1995 (the year in which UN sanctions were lifted). We also only considered contracts which consisted of foreign procurement.

The total expenditure, both foreign and local, from 1990/91 to 1993/94 was R14.7 Billion. This figure is noteworthy when compared to the Audited Special Defence Account figures submitted by the Auditor General to the TRC which record a total expenditure from this account of approximately R49 Billion between 1978 and 1994. It is particularly noteworthy when considering that this period represents a wind down of South Africa's military expenditure following the end of the Angolan War, and at a time when most security threats were urban and peace negotiations were well under way. This may suggest that the figures reported by the AG to the TRC were grossly understated and expenditure through the SDA was far higher.

We further broke down this data and isolated approximately 1050 contracts with foreign countries from the above list. Expenditure on these foreign contracts, from 1990/91 to 1993/94, totaled approximately R3.4 Billion. Over half of this expenditure was paid in the financial year 1990/91. The current (2016) value of the total expenditure is approximately R14.7 Billion.

We cross-referenced order numbers based on data provided by Armscor in the form of printed 'screens' each reflecting an individual contract. This allowed us to identify the foreign country of origin for 38 contracts which totaled nearly R1.7 Billion (Current Value = R7.7 Billion). The number of contracts per country and their total value is indicated below:

### **Total foreign contracts with countries known:**

### **Value (Historic:)**

Israel

9

715 432 227.26

USA	14	669 118 003.06
France	9	177 701 992.28
Germany	1	8 094 214.12
Switzerland	2	42 115 707.07
Spain	1	21 903 969.16
Finland	1	27 548 599.81
Italy	1	12 999 133.63
Total:	38	1 674 913 846.39

In addition, Armscor provided a 'contract register' that listed 610 contracts, consisting of both foreign and domestic contracts entered into between 1979 and 1999. This register did not include any values, but it did indicate with whom the contract was entered into, the subject of the contract (material purchased), and the date. We analyzed this register and extracted those contracts which were clearly with foreign companies between 1979 and 1990. This allowed us to identify 65 foreign contracts, including the subject matter of the contract, the company (in most cases), the country and the date it was entered into. The breakdown of these contracts by company is as follows:

<b><u>Company/Contract Party:</u></b>	<b><u>Country:</u></b>	<b><u>Number of Contracts:</u></b>
Royal Armed Forces of Morocco	Morocco	4
Morgan Brothers	?	1
Canadian Trade and Investment Company SA Panama	?	2
Siemens	Germany	6
Marconi	UK	3
Greek Powder and Cartridge Company	Check Liberia Front Companies	1
Plessey	UK	6
Taper	Israel	2
Klöckner-Humboldt-Deutz	Germany	2
Orenstein and Koppel	Germany	1
ISC	Italy/USA	13
Turbo Mecca	Italy	3
Goldhofer Fahrzeugwerk	Germany	1
Tegniese Raad	France	2
Machine Toolworks Oerlikon Buhrle	Switzerland	2
Lanvin	Israel	4

Krauss Mafei	Germany	2
Ofema	France	1
OGMA/Zandumec	Portugal/Panama	1
Chilean Air Force	Chile	1
Chilean Embassy/Ambassador	Chile	1
Transair (Swiss) SA	Switzerland	1
MAN	Germany	1