

# NEWS OF THE ASSOCIATION

## BALANCE SHEET for the years ended 31 December 1986 and 1985

ASSETS		
	1986	1985
<b>Current Assets:</b>		
Cash	\$ 92,542	\$ 114,055
Accounts receivable	4,492	1,895
Prepaid expenses	<u>2,949</u>	<u>1,856</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>99,983</u>	<u>117,806</u>
Office Equipment	19,435	17,888
Less Accumulated Depreciation	<u>12,463</u>	<u>13,677</u>
Net office equipment	<u>6,972</u>	<u>4,211</u>
	<u>\$ 106,955</u>	<u>\$ 122,017</u>

### LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE

<b>Current Liabilities:</b>		
Accounts payable	\$ 6,426	\$ 10,922
Prepaid dues	6,155	3,290
Unmatched grant funds	<u>4,145</u>	<u>18,859</u>
Total current liabilities	16,726	33,071
Fund Balance	<u>90,229</u>	<u>88,946</u>
	<u>\$ 106,955</u>	<u>\$ 122,017</u>

### STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND FUND BALANCE for the years ended 31 December 1986 and 1985

	1986	1985
<b>Revenues:</b>	<u>\$ 162,588</u>	<u>\$ 175,210</u>
<b>Expenses:</b>		
Publication costs,		
Cambridge University Press	38,831	36,421
Other publication and distribution costs	12,101	13,431
Other awards and grants	1,500	1,750
Donated service	41,692	34,194
Professional services	<u>7,395</u>	<u>6,360</u>
<i>Carried forward</i>	101,519	92,156

	1986	1985
<i>Brought forward</i>	101,519	92,156
Other fees and honoraria	10,604	16,020
Program committee and board meetings	9,046	8,743
Election expenses	1,554	778
Fund raising expenses	18,731	3,052
Office supplies and expense	5,827	5,609
Postage	6,111	5,538
Telephone	4,034	3,911
Depreciation	3,170	5,411
Miscellaneous expenses	709	438
Total expenses	<u>161,305</u>	<u>141,656</u>
Excess of revenues over expenses	1,283	33,554
Fund balance, beginning of year	<u>88,946</u>	<u>55,392</u>
Fund balance, end of year	<u>\$ 90,229</u>	<u>\$ 88,946</u>

STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN FINANCIAL POSITION  
for the years ended 31 December 1986 and 1985

	1986	1985
Cash provided:		
Excess of revenues over expenses	\$ 1,283	\$ 33,554
Items not requiring the outlay of funds:		
Depreciation	<u>3,170</u>	<u>5,411</u>
Funds provided from operations	4,453	38,965
Decrease in accounts receivable		538
Increase in accounts payable		8,898
Increase in unmatched grant funds		18,859
Increase in prepaid dues	<u>2,865</u>	<u>1,302</u>
	7,318	68,562
Cash expended:		
Increase in accounts receivable	2,597	
Increase in prepaid expenses	1,093	893
Office equipment purchases	5,931	3,380
Decrease in accounts payable	4,496	
Decrease in unmatched grant funds	<u>14,714</u>	
	<u>28,831</u>	<u>4,273</u>
Increase (decrease) in cash	(21,513)	64,289
Cash, beginning of year	114,055	49,766
Cash, end of year	<u>\$ 92,542</u>	<u>\$ 114,055</u>

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES. *Basis of presentation.* The accompanying financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting and in accordance with the standards of accounting and financial reporting under the *AICPA Audit Guide, Audits of Certain Nonprofit Organizations.*

*Office equipment* is carried at cost. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method based on the estimated useful lives of three and five years.

*Revenues.* Membership dues and grants are recognized as revenue in the applicable membership and grant period.

Donated services consists of wages and benefits for employees working for MESA but paid by the University of Arizona. Office space is also provided, however, a value has not been determined.

2. ORGANIZATION. The Middle East Studies Association of North America (MESA) was organized in 1966 by a group of American and Canadian scholars to promote high standards of scholarship and instruction in Middle East studies, to facilitate communication among scholars through meetings and publications, and to foster cooperation among persons and organizations concerned with the scholarly study of the Middle East. Membership includes subscriptions to the *International Journal of Middle East Studies*, the *MESA Bulletin*, and the *Newsletter*.

MESA obtained an exemption from income tax under the Internal Revenue Code Section 501 (c)(3) and as such is exempt from Federal and State income tax.

3. UNMATCHED GRANT FUNDS. MESA was awarded a National Endowment for the Humanities Challenge Grant in December 1984. To earn one dollar from the grant MESA must receive three dollars of qualified outside funds. The balance of unmatched grant funds represent amounts received from the NEH for which matching funds have not yet been received. Should MESA fail to meet the matching requirements during the grant period, any unmatched funds must be returned to the NEH.

4. ANNUAL MEETING. Each year a university sponsors the annual meeting hosted by MESA for the benefit of the members. Customarily MESA receives any excess of revenues over expenses which are generated by the meeting.

5. COMMITMENTS AND AGREEMENTS. MESA has an agreement with the Syndics of the Press of Cambridge University (Syndics) to publish and distribute the *International Journal of Middle East Studies* and the *MESA Bulletin* to each member. Annually an allocable dollar amount of membership dues are paid to Syndics to cover the cost of the subscription.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

## STATEMENTS OF REVENUES

for the years ended 31 December 1986 and 1985

	1986	1985
Membership dues - individual	\$ 64,878	\$ 55,990
Membership dues - institutional	17,500	11,000
Member contributions	19,554	7,547
Corporate and Foundation contributions	1,400	12,164
National Endowment for the Humanities Challenge Grant	14,715	18,641
Donated services, University of Arizona	41,692	34,194
Annual meeting	(11,857)	26,465
Publications sales	2,735	1,523
Mailing list sales	5,010	2,500
Advertising income	975	925
Interest income	5,986	4,261
Total revenues	<u>\$ 162,588</u>	<u>\$ 175,210</u>