## Financial Statements and Supplementary Information Together with Report of Independent Certified Public Accountants

## COUNCIL ON FOREIGN RELATIONS, INC.

June 30, 2016 and 2015

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#### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

To the Board of Directors of the

Council on Foreign Relations, Inc.

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Council on Foreign Relations, Inc. ("CFR"), which comprise the statements of financial position as of June 30, 2016 and 2015, and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### **Auditors' Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to CFR's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of CFR's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

#### **Opinion**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Council on Foreign Relations, Inc. as of June 30, 2016 and 2015, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Supplementary Information**

Our audits were conducted for the purposes of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements of CFR as of and for the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, taken as a whole. The supplementary information included on pages 30 to 31 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements. Such supplementary information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audits of the 2016 and 2015 financial statements and certain additional procedures. These additional procedures included comparing and reconciling the information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the 2016 and 2015 financial statements or to the 2016 and 2015 financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the supplementary information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the 2016 and 2015 financial statements as a whole.

New York, New York October 12, 2016

Grant Thouten LLP

## **Statements of Financial Position**

As of June 30, 2016 and 2015

Assets	2016	2015
Cash and cash equivalents ( <i>Notes 2 and 13</i> )	\$ 33,170,700	\$ 25,363,300
Accounts receivable, net ( <i>Note 2</i> )	1,864,400	2,850,600
Prepaid expenses ( <i>Note 2</i> )	785,600	530,300
Grants and contributions receivable, net ( <i>Notes 2 and 4</i> )	24,201,000	17,790,800
Contributions receivable for endowment, net ( <i>Notes 2 and 4</i> )	18,901,200	9,406,800
Inventory ( <i>Note</i> 2)	190,300	142,300
Investments ( <i>Notes 2</i> , <i>3</i> , and 11)	354,033,000	341,346,500
Pending investment purchases ( <i>Note 3</i> )	-	30,000,000
Land, buildings and building improvements,		20,000,000
and equipment, net ( <i>Notes 2 and 5</i> )	74,425,100	74,623,100
Total assets	\$ 507,571,300	\$ 502,053,700
Liabilities		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses (Notes 2, 5, and 6)	\$ 7,850,800	\$ 7,113,000
Deferred revenue ( <i>Note 2</i> )	4,828,200	4,789,200
Accrued postretirement benefits (Note 7)	6,216,000	6,048,000
Interest-rate swap agreement (Notes 2, 8, and 11)	9,649,500	7,826,100
Bonds payable (Note 8)	57,975,000	59,605,000
Total liabilities	86,519,500	85,381,300
Commitments (Note 12)		
Net assets (Note 2)		
Unrestricted	61,216,300	69,006,500
Temporarily restricted ( <i>Note 9</i> )	161,653,900	168,138,000
Permanently restricted (Notes 9 and 10)	198,181,600	179,527,900
Total net assets	421,051,800	416,672,400
Total liabilities and net assets	\$ 507,571,300	\$ 502,053,700

Statement of Activities
For the year ended June 30, 2016

	_ <u>U</u>	nrestricted	Restricted	Restricted	Total
Operating revenue and support					
Membership dues	\$	6,484,200	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,484,200
Annual giving		9,743,500	-	-	9,743,500
Corporate memberships and related income		6,571,000	201,000	-	6,772,000
Grants and contributions		1,159,000	30,425,900	-	31,584,900
Foreign Affairs publications		8,690,700	-	-	8,690,700
Investment return used for current operations ( <i>Note 3</i> )		4,154,200	13,229,100	-	17,383,300
Rental income		2,006,800	-	-	2,006,800
Miscellaneous		244,700	-	-	244,700
Net assets released from restrictions ( <i>Note 9</i> )		29,995,500	(29,995,500)		
Total operating revenue and support	-	69,049,600	13,860,500		82,910,100
Operating expenses					
Program expenses:		26.555.200			26.555.200
Studies Program		26,557,300	-	-	26,557,300
Task Force		385,500	-	-	385,500
NY meetings		1,697,600	-	-	1,697,600
DC programs		1,891,400	-	-	1,891,400
Special events		1,177,000	-	-	1,177,000
Foreign Affairs		11,175,200	-	=	11,175,200
National Program		1,339,400	-	=	1,339,400
Outreach Program		1,556,700	-	-	1,556,700
Term member		355,100	-	-	355,100
Digital Program		3,167,500	-	-	3,167,500
Education Program		2,257,000	-	-	2,257,000
Global Board of Advisors		84,300			84,300
Total program expenses		51,644,000			51,644,000
Supporting services					
Fundraising:					
Development		2,295,500	-	-	2,295,500
Corporate Program		2,150,400			2,150,400
Total fundraising		4,445,900	-	-	4,445,900
Management and general		11,275,100	-	-	11,275,100
Membership		1,463,300			1,463,300
Total supporting services		17,184,300			17,184,300
Total operating expenses		68,828,300			68,828,300
Excess of operating revenue and support					
over operating expenses		221,300	13,860,500		14,081,800
Nonoperating revenue (loss) (Note 2)					
Investment loss in excess of spending rate (Notes 2 and 3)		(6,132,100)	(20,344,600)	-	(26,476,700)
Endowment contributions (Note 4)		-	-	19,653,700	19,653,700
Change in value of interest rate swap agreement					
(Notes 2 and 8)		(1,823,400)	-	-	(1,823,400)
Reversal of contribution receivable for endowment				(1,000,000)	(1,000,000)
Total nonoperating (loss) revenue		(7,955,500)	(20,344,600)	18,653,700	(9,646,400)
Changes in net assets before postretirement					
changes other than net periodic costs ( <i>Note 7</i> )		(7,734,200)	(6,484,100)	18,653,700	4,435,400
Postretirement changes other than net periodic costs		(56,000)	-	- · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	(56,000)
Changes in net assets	-	(7,790,200)	(6,484,100)	18,653,700	4,379,400
Net assets, beginning of year		69,006,500	168,138,000	179,527,900	416,672,400
Net assets, end of year	\$	61,216,300	\$ 161,653,900	\$ 198,181,600	\$ 421,051,800
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

## **Statement of Activities**

For the year ended June 30, 2015

	Unrestric	ted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Total
Operating revenue and support					
Membership dues	\$ 6,26	3,900	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,263,900
Annual giving	9,65	1,200	-	-	9,651,200
Corporate memberships and related income		3,300	241,000	-	6,784,300
Grants and contributions		6,100	15,989,600	-	17,435,700
Foreign Affairs publications		9,000	-	-	8,839,000
Investment return used for current operations (Note 3)		3,900	12,151,100	-	16,065,000
Rental income		2,000	-	-	2,072,000
Miscellaneous		7,800	-	-	467,800
Net assets released from restrictions (Note 9)	25,14	_	(25,145,700)		<del></del>
Total operating revenue and support	64,34	2,900	3,236,000		67,578,900
Operating expenses					
Program expenses:					
Studies Program	24,20		-	-	24,207,700
Task Force		0,800	-	-	490,800
NY meetings		8,300	-	-	1,358,300
DC programs		4,700	-	-	2,144,700
Special events		4,300	-	-	1,134,300
Foreign Affairs	10,079		-	-	10,079,900
National Program		7,000	-	-	1,157,000
Outreach Program		7,600	-	-	1,507,600
Term member		0,800	-	-	310,800
Digital Program		1,300	-	-	2,481,300
Education Program		2,600	-	-	1,602,600
Global Board of Advisors		0,000			90,000
Total program expenses	46,56	5,000			46,565,000
Supporting services					
Fundraising:	2.26	0.600			2.269.600
Development Company to Province to the Company to Province to the Company to the		8,600	-	-	2,268,600 2,040,200
Corporate Program		0,200	<u> </u>		
Total fundraising		8,800	-	-	4,308,800
Management and general	11,51		-	-	11,512,300
Membership		8,400		-	1,198,400
Total supporting services	17,01				17,019,500
Total operating expenses	63,58	4,500			63,584,500
Excess of operating revenue and support					
over operating expenses		8,400	3,236,000		3,994,400
Nonoperating revenue (loss) (Note 2)					
Investment loss in excess of spending rate ( <i>Notes 2 and 3</i> )	(1,72	6,000)	(4,437,000)	-	(6,163,000)
Endowment contributions (Note 4)		-	-	11,261,900	11,261,900
Change in value of interest rate swap agreement					
(Notes 2 and 8)	,	5,600)	-	-	(215,600)
Gain on sale of property	2,39	2,400	-	-	2,392,400
Write-off of grant receivable pertaining to terminated			/o=o =oo		(0=0=00)
program		-	(879,700)		(879,700)
Total nonoperating revenue (loss)	45	0,800	(5,316,700)	11,261,900	6,396,000
Changes in net assets before postretirement					
changes other than net periodic costs (Note 7)		9,200	(2,080,700)	11,261,900	10,390,400
Postretirement changes other than net periodic costs	(59	4,000)			(594,000)
Changes in net assets	61	5,200	(2,080,700)	11,261,900	9,796,400
Net assets, beginning of year	68,39	1,300	170,218,700	168,266,000	406,876,000
Net assets, end of year	\$ 69,00	6,500	\$ 168,138,000	\$ 179,527,900	\$ 416,672,400

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

## **Statements of Cash Flows**

For the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015

	2016	2015	
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Changes in net assets	\$ 4,379,400	\$ 9,796,400	
Adjustments to reconcile changes in net assets to net cash			
used in operating activities:			
Depreciation	3,859,100	3,135,600	
Change in discount on grants and contributions and			
contributions for endowment receivable	121,600	395,400	
Gain on sale of property	-	(2,392,400)	
Change in fair value of interest rate swap agreement	1,823,400	215,600	
Net realized and unrealized loss (gain) on investments	8,980,400	(10,609,800)	
Bad debt expense	1,453,400	1,067,000	
Contributions restricted for investment in endowment	(19,653,700)	(11,261,900)	
Donated securities	-	(642,600)	
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:			
Accounts receivable	532,800	(1,382,200)	
Prepaid expenses	(255,300)	77,600	
Grants and contributions receivable	(6,531,800)	(4,204,500)	
Inventory	(48,000)	16,400	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	737,800	614,800	
Deferred revenue	39,000	392,100	
Accrued postretirement benefits	168,000	730,000	
Net cash used in operating activities	(4,393,900)	(14,052,500)	
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Purchases of building improvements and equipment	(3,661,100)	(5,043,400)	
Proceeds from sale of fixed asset	-	4,986,900	
Purchases of investments	(46,474,700)	(115,016,600)	
Proceeds from sales of investments	54,807,800	123,470,500	
Net cash provided by investing activities	4,672,000	8,397,400	
Cash flows from financing activities:			
Contributions restricted for investment in endowment	9,159,300	3,317,500	
Principal payments on bonds payable	(1,630,000)	(1,565,000)	
Net cash provided by financing activities	7,529,300	1,752,500	
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	7,807,400	(3,902,600)	
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	25,363,300	29,265,900	
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$ 33,170,700	\$ 25,363,300	
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information:			
Interest paid on bonds	\$ 2,582,200	\$ 2,646,700	

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Notes to Financial Statements June 30, 2016 and 2015

#### 1. ORGANIZATION AND NATURE OF ACTIVITIES

Council on Foreign Relations, Inc. ("CFR") is an independent, nonpartisan membership organization, think tank, and publisher dedicated to being a resource for its members, government officials, business executives, journalists, educators and students, civic and religious leaders, and other interested citizens, in order to help them better understand the world and the foreign policy choices facing the United States and other countries. Founded in 1921, CFR takes no institutional positions on matters of policy. CFR carries out its mission by maintaining a diverse membership; convening meetings at its headquarters in New York, and in Washington, DC, and other cities where senior government officials, members of Congress, global leaders, and prominent thinkers come together with CFR members to discuss and debate major international issues; supporting a Studies Program that fosters independent research; publishing *Foreign Affairs*, the preeminent journal on international affairs and U.S. foreign policy; sponsoring Independent Task Forces; and, providing up-to-date information and analysis about world events and American foreign policy on its website, CFR.org.

CFR is a Section 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization, incorporated in the State of New York, exempt from federal income taxes under Section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the "Code") and is a publicly supported organization, as described in Section 509(a)(1) of the Code. CFR is also exempt from state and local income taxes.

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### **Basis of Accounting**

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared using the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("U.S. GAAP").

#### **Cash and Cash Equivalents**

CFR considers all highly liquid investments purchased with original maturities of three months or less, excluding cash and money market funds held in investments, to be cash equivalents.

#### **Allowance for Doubtful Accounts**

As of June 30, 2016 and 2015, CFR determined that an allowance for uncollectible accounts of \$288,100 and \$165,400, respectively, is necessary for certain uncollectible membership and *Foreign Affairs* receivables. In addition, CFR determined that no allowance is necessary for grants and contributions receivable, and contributions receivable for endowment as of June 30, 2016 and 2015. This determination is based on a combination of factors, such as management's estimate of the creditworthiness of its members and contributors, a review of individual accounts outstanding, the aged basis of receivables, current economic conditions, and historical collection experience. Receivables are written-off in the net asset category in which they reside when determined to be uncollectible.

#### **Investments**

CFR's investments in marketable debt and equity securities are recorded at fair values based on quoted market prices as of the measurement date. Donated securities are recorded at fair value as determined on the date received. Interest income is recorded on an accrual basis and dividend income is recorded based on the ex-dividend date.

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It is CFR's policy to make an annual investment allocation for the support of its operations up to 5 percent of the average fair value of its investments for the three previous years.

CFR's investments in alternative investment companies are carried at the aggregate net asset value ("NAV") of the shares held by CFR. The NAV is based on the fair value of the respective alternative investment company's investment portfolio as determined by the management of the alternative investment company as of the measurement date. CFR's investments in alternative investment companies are primarily in limited partnerships.

Investments held by the limited partnerships generally are carried at fair value, as determined by the respective general partners, and may be based on historical cost, appraisals, obtainable prices for similar assets, or other estimates. In certain instances, CFR's ability to liquidate its investments in limited partnerships is restricted in accordance with the provisions of the respective partnership agreement.

The reported value of CFR's investments that do not have readily determinable fair values is determined on an estimated basis by the investment managers as of the measurement date. Because of the inherent uncertainty of valuation, the fair values determined by the investment managers may differ from values that would be used had a ready market for these investments existed, and such differences could be material. The financial statements of the investees are audited annually by independent auditors. Investment income and gains (losses) attributable to CFR pertaining to these funds are recorded on the accrual basis in the accompanying financial statements.

Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") Topic 820, Fair Value Measurements, permits a reporting entity, as a practical expedient, to measure the fair value of certain investments using a NAV per share of the investment, or it's equivalent. In May 2015, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") 2015-07 Disclosures for Investments in Certain Entities that Calculate Net Asset Value per Share (or its Equivalent), which removes the requirement to categorize within the fair value hierarchy all investments for which fair value is measured using the NAV per share practical expedient. The amendments in this update are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2016, however, early adoption is permitted. The reporting entity is required upon adoption to apply the amendments retrospectively to all periods presented.

CFR early adopted ASU 2017-07 effective July 1, 2015, and has applied the new amendments retroactively for all periods presented, as provided for by the ASU. The adoption of this new guidance by CFR only amended disclosure requirements and did not have an impact on CFR's financial statements for the periods presented.

#### Land, Buildings and Building Improvements, and Equipment

Land, buildings and building improvements, and equipment are stated at cost if purchased or at fair value at the date of gift if donated, less accumulated depreciation. These amounts do not purport to represent replacement or realizable values. CFR capitalizes expenditures for land, buildings and building improvements, and equipment having a cost of \$1,500 or more and which have useful lives of greater than three years. Depreciation is provided on the straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of these assets (see Note 5).

Costs incurred for repairs, maintenance, and minor improvements that do not substantially extend an asset's useful life are charged to expense as incurred. Major improvements, which substantially extend the useful lives of assets, are capitalized.

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#### **Inventory**

Inventory consists primarily of paper that is stored offsite and used in the printing of the bimonthly publication *Foreign Affairs*. Inventory is stated at the lower of cost (first-in, first-out method) or market.

#### **Deferred Subscription Revenue**

CFR's subscriptions are recognized as revenue ratably over the applicable period. Deferred revenue represents subscription payments received in advance.

#### **Net Asset Classifications**

Net assets and revenues, expenses, gains, and losses are classified based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions. CFR considers all contributions and grants to be available for unrestricted use unless specifically restricted by the respective donor or grantor. Endowment contributions are invested and, pursuant to CFR's 5 percent spending policy, an investment allocation is made in accordance with donor stipulations for either general purposes (unrestricted) or specific program activities (temporarily restricted) (see note 10 for further information).

Accordingly, the net assets of CFR and changes therein are classified and reported in three net asset classes: unrestricted, temporarily restricted, and permanently restricted.

Unrestricted net assets represent resources received that have not been restricted by a donor and have no time restrictions. Such resources are available in support of CFR's operations over which the Board has discretionary control.

Temporarily restricted net assets represent contributions and other inflows of assets whose use by CFR is limited by express donor-imposed stipulations that either expire by the passage of time or can be fulfilled and removed by actions of CFR pursuant to those stipulations. When a donor restriction expires, that is, when a time restriction ends or a purpose restriction is fulfilled, temporarily restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets and reported on the statement of activities as net assets released from restrictions.

Permanently restricted net assets represent contributions and other inflows of assets whose use by CFR is limited by express donor-imposed stipulations that neither expire with the passage of time nor can be fulfilled or otherwise removed by actions of CFR, but permit CFR to expend part or all of the income derived from the investment of the donated assets for either specified or unspecified purposes.

#### **Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes**

CFR has adopted the provisions of the Accounting Standard Codification ("ASC") 740, *Accounting for Uncertainties in Income Taxes*. ASC 740-10 clarifies the accounting for uncertainty in tax positions taken or expected to be taken in a tax return, including issues relating to financial statement recognition and measurement. This section provides that the tax effects from an uncertain tax position can be recognized in the financial statements only if the position is "more-likely-than-not" to be sustained if the position were to be challenged by a taxing authority. The assessment of the tax position is based solely on the technical merits of the position, without regard to the likelihood that the tax position may be challenged.

CFR is exempt from federal and New York State income taxation by virtue of being an organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Code and similar provisions of the New York State tax code.

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Nevertheless, CFR may be subject to tax on income unrelated to its exempt purpose, unless that income is otherwise excluded by the Code. The tax years ended June 30, 2013, 2014, 2015, and 2016 are still open to audit for both federal and state purposes. CFR believes that there are no material uncertain tax positions within its financial statements.

#### **Support and Revenue**

Contributions (including unconditional promises to give) are recorded when received, at their fair value. Contributions received with donor stipulations that limit the use of the donated assets are reported as either temporarily restricted or permanently restricted support. Unconditional promises to give, with payments due in future years, are reported as either temporarily restricted or permanently restricted support, discounted to present value using credit adjusted discount rates which articulate with the collection period of the respective pledge. Such discounts are not subsequently revised and are amortized over the collection period of the respective pledge as additional contribution revenue in accord with any donor stipulated restrictions, if any.

Conditional contributions, such as grants with matching requirements, are recognized in the appropriate net asset class when the conditions on which they depend have been satisfied. Bequests are recognized as receivables at the time unassailable rights to the gifts have been established and the proceeds are measurable.

Membership dues are recorded as revenue in the period to which the dues relate.

#### **Rental Income**

Rental income includes income derived from renting space at CFR's New York office location for various events as well as sublease rental income, which is recorded over the term of the lease based on fixed monthly payments. No deferred rent liability or asset is required to be recorded as of June 30, 2016 and 2015, in accordance with U.S. GAAP.

#### Foreign Affairs Publication

Foreign Affairs is a bimonthly magazine published by CFR dedicated to improving the understanding of U.S. foreign policy and international affairs through the free exchange of ideas. Subscription, advertising, and other publishing income pertaining to *Foreign Affairs* are recorded as revenue in the relevant period in accordance with U.S. GAAP.

#### **Postretirement Benefits**

U.S. GAAP requires an employer to: (a) recognize on its statement of financial position an asset for a plan's overfunded status or a liability for a plan's underfunded status; (b) measure a plan's assets and its obligations that determine its funded status as of the end of the employer's fiscal year; and, (c) recognize changes in the funded status of a defined benefit postretirement plan in the year in which the changes occur.

#### **Interest Rate Swap Agreement**

CFR uses an interest rate swap agreement as part of its risk management strategy to manage exposure to fluctuations in interest rates and to manage the overall cost of its variable rate debt. The interest rate swap agreement was not entered into for trading or speculative purposes and does not qualify as a hedge for financial reporting purposes. In accordance with U.S. GAAP, the interest rate swap agreement is measured

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at fair value and recognized as either an asset or a liability as of the reporting date. Changes in fair value are recorded as part of nonoperating changes in net assets on the statement of activities.

#### **Measure of Operations**

CFR includes in its definition of operations all revenues and expenses that are an integral part of its programs and supporting activities, including a Board authorized investment income allocation and all contributions, except for those that have been permanently restricted by donors. Investment income, including net realized and unrealized gains and losses, earned in excess of (or less than) CFR's aggregate authorized spending amount for operations, the change in value on interest rate swap agreement, contributions to permanently restricted net assets, and other items that are considered to be unusual or non-recurring in nature are recognized as part of nonoperating activities.

#### **Use of Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### **Allocation of Expenses**

The costs of operating the various programs and providing the supporting services have been summarized on a functional basis on the accompanying statements of activities. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated amongst the programs and supporting services benefited, principally based on square footage occupied by the respective functional areas.

#### Concentration

Cash and cash equivalents that potentially subject CFR to concentrations of credit risk include cash accounts with banks that exceed the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC") insurance limits. Interest-bearing accounts are insured up to \$250,000 per depositor. Through December 31, 2012, noninterest-bearing accounts were fully insured. Beginning in 2013, noninterest-bearing accounts are insured similarly to interest-bearing accounts. As of June 30, 2016 and 2015, there is approximately \$29,890,200 and \$22,321,500, respectively, of cash and cash equivalents held by banks that exceed FDIC insurance limits. Such excess includes outstanding checks. CFR routinely monitors the financial institutions in which it transacts with and does not believe a risk of nonperformance presently exists.

#### **Subsequent Events**

CFR has evaluated, for potential recognition and disclosure, events subsequent to the date of its financial statements through October 12, 2016, the date the financial statements were issued. No events have occurred subsequent to June 30, 2016, that would require adjustment to or disclosure in the accompanying financial statements.

Notes to Financial Statements June 30, 2016 and 2015

#### 3. INVESTMENTS

The components of CFR's investment portfolio as of June 30, 2016 and 2015, are as follows:

	2016	2015	_
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 36,642,900	\$ 26,835,200	
Long-only equities	108,876,200	119,791,700	
Deflation hedges	7,030,200	6,887,300	
Subtotal	152,549,300	153,514,200	
Alternative investments:			
Growth-oriented hedge funds	64,254,700	59,855,400	(A)
Diversifiers	112,720,100	98,134,400	(B)
Private equity	19,590,800	24,943,600	(C)
Private hard assets	4,918,100	4,898,900	(D)
Subtotal	201,483,700	187,832,300	
Total	\$ 354,033,000	\$ 341,346,500	

Growth-oriented assets are long-only equities and growth-oriented hedge funds that include all equity and equity-like investments in the portfolio. This allocation will exhibit high correlation to the equity markets and generally have equity-like volatility. This allocation also includes private hard assets given their equity-like characteristics, although these investments may also help protect against unexpected inflation. Although the expected return from growth-oriented assets varies, global equities have returned roughly 7.5 percent in real-terms based on historical assumptions.

Long-only equities include investments in public equities and, therefore, a high beta and correlation with equity markets. Diversification across market cap, geographic region, and sector are important for providing long-term growth to the portfolio. Return expectations track closely with global equities.

Deflation hedges include fixed income investments. This allocation will generally protect value during an economic contraction as investors flee to quality. Since cash and fixed income exhibit low volatility and are liquid in nature, these investments can provide a source of funding during times of market stress. The return expectation for this asset class is typically around 3 to 4 percent for U.S. and developed-market government bonds based on historical assumptions.

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Alternative investments include the following as of June 30, 2016 and 2015:

- A. Growth-oriented hedge funds include long-biased long/short equity and distressed credit managers, given their equity-like characteristics. Given the hedged exposure, return expectations are slightly lower than equities.
- B. Diversifiers include investments that exhibit generally low correlation to equity markets and lower volatility than public equities. By providing differentiated sources of return and strong downside protection, the diversifiers improve the overall portfolio's risk/return characteristics. The return expectation from this asset class is typically between equities and bonds and varies based on the respective strategy employed.
- C. Private equity funds include investments in private companies using a long investment time horizon of seven-plus years. Private equity funds exhibit equity-like characteristics given their reliance on debt financing, mergers and acquisitions, and equity markets for exits. Return expectations are slightly higher than global equities to compensate for the longer lock-up periods.
- D. Private hard assets are nonpublic investments in oil and gas, timber, and other natural resources that exhibit equity-like characteristics and may also help protect against unexpected inflation. Private hard assets tend to be sensitive to commodity prices as well as mergers and acquisitions and debt and equity markets. Return expectations are typically slightly higher than global equities to compensate for the longer lock-up periods.

As of June 30, 2016 and 2015, CFR has unfunded commitments to limited partnerships of approximately \$10.4 million and \$12.9 million, respectively, and intends to sell a portion of its other investments to fund these commitments. Such purchase commitments as of June 30, 2016 are expected to be satisfied by fiscal year 2025.

Investments, in general, are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, credit, and overall market volatility. As such, it is reasonably possible that changes in the fair values of investments will occur in the near-term and that such changes could materially affect the amounts reported on the accompanying financial statements.

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Investment (loss) return consists of the following for the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015:

		2016	
	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	<b>Total</b>
Dividends and interest	\$ 471,300	\$ 1,695,600	\$ 2,166,900
Realized gains Unrealized losses	3,346,000 (5,299,300)	12,036,800 (19,063,900)	15,382,800 (24,363,200)
Net realized and unrealized losses	(1,953,300)	(7,027,100)	(8,980,400)
Total loss on investments	(1,482,000)	(5,331,500)	(6,813,500)
Investment return used for current operations Investment expenses	(4,154,200) (495,900)	(13,229,100) (1,784,000)	(17,383,300) (2,279,900)
Investment loss in excess of spending rate	\$ (6,132,100)	\$ (20,344,600)	\$ (26,476,700)
		2015	
	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Total
Dividends and interest	\$ 353,300	\$ 1,245,700	\$ 1,599,000
Realized gains Unrealized losses	2,619,000 (274,600)	9,233,600 (968,200)	11,852,600 (1,242,800)
Net realized and unrealized gains	2,344,400	8,265,400	10,609,800
Total return on investments	2,697,700	9,511,100	12,208,800
Investment return used for current operations Investment expenses	(3,913,900) (509,800)	(12,151,100) (1,797,000)	(16,065,000) (2,306,800)
Investment loss in excess of spending rate	\$ (1,726,000)	\$ (4,437,000)	\$ (6,163,000)

Amounts reflected as pending investment purchases in the accompanying 2015 statement of financial position reflect cash disbursed to investment funds that have not yet been credited to CFR's capital accounts as of June 30, 2015. These pending investment purchases settled during fiscal 2016.

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# 4. GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVABLE AND CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVABLE FOR ENDOWMENT, NET

Receivables consist primarily of promises to give and are due from individuals, corporations, and foundations. Grants and contributions receivable and contributions receivable for endowment as of June 30, 2016 and 2015, are due to be collected as follows:

	2016	2015
Amounts due in less than one year:		
Grants and contributions receivable	\$ 11,010,100	\$ 7,453,200
Contributions receivable for endowment	7,460,000	3,043,200
Total	18,470,100	10,496,400
Amounts due in one to five years:		
Grants and contributions receivable	13,518,400	10,619,000
Contributions receivable for endowment	11,782,100	6,629,000
Total	25,300,500	17,248,000
Gross receivables	43,770,600	27,744,400
Less: discount (at rates varying from 0.28 percent to 1.32 percent)	(668,400)	(546,800)
Total receivables, net	\$ 43,102,200	\$ 27,197,600

Endowment contributions, net of discount, totaled \$19,653,700 and \$11,261,900 for the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

## 5. LAND, BUILDINGS AND BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS, AND EQUIPMENT, NET

Land, buildings and building improvements, and equipment, at cost, net of accumulated depreciation, as of June 30, 2016 and 2015, are summarized as follows:

	2016	2015	Estimated Useful Lives
Land (New York)	\$ 1,854,300	\$ 1,854,300	
Land (Washington, DC)	5,397,700	5,397,700	
Buildings and building improvements (New York)	34,170,300	32,503,000	3–55 years
Building and building improvements (Washington, DC)	53,392,700	53,281,000	3–55 years
Equipment (New York)	16,050,000	13,704,700	3–15 years
Equipment (Washington, DC)	4,936,600	4,644,000	3–15 years
Construction in progress	 996,900	 1,754,800	
Total	116,798,500	113,139,500	
Less: accumulated depreciation	 (42,373,400)	 (38,516,400)	
Total net	\$ 74,425,100	\$ 74,623,100	

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Construction in progress predominately consists of project costs related to the CFR.org website redesign, paging system, fire suppression system, façade project, burglar alarm system, building code compliance-additional fire doors and central air conditioning system upgrades. Most projects are expected to be completed between September 2016 and June 2017, and the estimated costs to complete these projects is approximately \$2,257,000.

Depreciation expense amounted to \$3,859,100 and \$3,135,600 for the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively. During fiscal 2016, certain assets that became fully depreciated were written-off and totaled \$2,100.

#### 6. RETIREMENT PLAN

CFR has a defined contribution retirement plan covering all employees who meet the minimum service requirements. Payments to the plan, which are calculated at 8 percent of each participant's salary for all employees, are made to the Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association and College Retirement Equities Fund ("TIAA-CREF") to purchase individual annuities for plan participants. CFR's plan expense amounted to approximately \$1,858,900 and \$1,715,000 for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively. Participants over the age of thirty must contribute 2.5 percent of their salaries and have the option to make additional contributions to the supplemental plan on their own behalf.

#### 7. OTHER POSTRETIREMENT BENEFITS

CFR provides medical and dental benefits for its retired employees. Current employees receiving benefits will continue to be eligible to receive medical and dental benefits upon retirement under the Postretirement Plan (the "Plan"). Participation in the Plan requires that in order to be eligible to receive plan benefits, an employee must attain the earlier of either age of 60 with 15 years of continuous service, or attain the age of 55 with 25 years of continuous service. Employees hired on or after January 1, 1987 are not eligible for postretirement benefits, with the exception of the current and future Presidents of CFR, Executive Vice President, Senior Vice Presidents, and Editor of *Foreign Affairs*, hired on or before July 1, 2002 (must have been in the position as of July 1, 2002), with a minimum of 10 years of service and a retirement date on or after July 1, 2003.

The benefit obligation, as determined as of the end of the year measurement date, is as follows:

		2016		2015
Change in benefit obligation				
Benefit obligation, beginning of year	\$	6,048,000	\$	5,318,000
Service cost		11,000		39,000
Interest cost		243,000		240,000
Actuarial net loss		230,000		794,000
Benefits paid	_	(316,000)		(343,000)
Benefit obligation, end of year	\$	6,216,000	\$	6,048,000

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CFR accrues expenses and makes benefit payments as they are incurred annually and has not contributed funds to a separate trustee's account to fund the accumulated postretirement benefit obligation. The discount rate used to determine the end-of-year obligation was 3.27 percent and 4.14 percent as of June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

During fiscal 2016, the mortality assumption was updated from the RP-2014 White Collar Mortality Table projected generationally with scale MP-2014 to the RPEC-2006 White Collar Mortality Table projected generationally with scale MP-2015. The update in the mortality table resulted in an actuarial gain of \$201,000 for the year ended June 30, 2016.

The net periodic benefit obligations and the components of benefit cost for the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, is as follows:

	2016		2015		
Service cost	\$	11,000	\$	39,000	
Interest cost		243,000		240,000	
Amortization of net loss		184,000		210,000	
Amortization of prior service credit		(10,000)		(10,000)	
Net periodic cost included in operating expenses	\$	428,000	\$	479,000	

The postretirement benefit cost, net of retiree benefit payments for the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, amounted to \$112,000 and \$136,000, respectively, and was based on actuarial assumptions and a discount rate set as of the beginning of the year. The discount rate was 4.14 percent and 3.92 percent for fiscal years 2016 and 2015, respectively, and the projected unit credit method was used for determining benefits earned during the year.

The net periodic pension cost for the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, includes reclassifications of amounts previously recognized as changes in unrestricted net assets as follows:

	2016			2015		
Amortization of net loss	\$	184,000	\$	210,000		
Amortization of prior service credit		(10,000)		(10,000)		

Amounts that have not been recognized as components of net periodic benefit cost but are included in unrestricted net assets are as follows:

	 2016	 2015
Net actuarial loss Prior service credit	\$ 3,232,000 (51,000)	\$ 3,186,000 (61,000)
	\$ 3,181,000	\$ 3,125,000

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Assumed health-care cost trend rates at June 30 are as follows:

	2016	2015
Health care-cost trend rate assumed for next year	6.33 percent	6.67 percent
Rate to which the cost trend rate is assumed to decline	5 percent	5 percent
Year that the rate reaches the ultimate trend rate	2020	2020

Increasing the assumed medical care cost trend rate by 1 percent in each year would increase the accumulated postretirement benefit obligation by \$831,000 and \$861,000 as of June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively, and the aggregate of the service and interest cost components of net periodic postretirement benefit cost for the years then ended by \$39,000 and \$42,000, respectively. Decreasing the assumed health-care cost trend rate by 1 percent would decrease the accumulated postretirement benefit obligation by \$688,000 and \$712,000 as of June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively, and the aggregate of the service and interest cost components of net periodic postretirement benefit cost for the years then ended by \$31,000 and \$34,000, respectively.

Amounts in unrestricted net assets expected to be recognized as components of net periodic benefit cost during fiscal year 2017 are as follows:

Net actuarial loss	\$ 204,000
Prior service credit	(10,000)

The following postretirement benefit payments, which reflect expected future service, as appropriate, are expected to be paid as follows:

Year Ending June 30		
2017	\$ 325,000	0
2018	334,00	0
2019	342,00	0
2020	339,00	0
2021	341,00	0
2022-2026	1,666,000	0

#### 8. BONDS PAYABLE

Bonds payable amounted to \$57,975,000 and \$59,605,000 as of June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively, (which approximates fair value) and consist of tax-exempt variable rate demand revenue bonds (the "Bonds"), which were originally issued by the District of Columbia on behalf of CFR in August 2007. On September 4, 2012, these bonds were purchased by Wells Fargo Municipal Capital Strategies, LLC ("Wells Fargo"). Proceeds of the Bonds were used for the acquisition, renovation, furnishing, and equipping of an office building, located at 1777 F Street, NW, Washington, DC, to be used by CFR for office and conference space.

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In connection with the original issuance of the Bonds, CFR incurred \$3,297,400 in financing costs, which have been capitalized and are being amortized on a straight-line basis through the conversion date. The remaining unamortized balance of \$2,796,400 was written off as of June 30, 2013, in accordance with the amended and restated loan agreement dated September 4, 2012.

The Bonds have a stated maturity of August 1, 2042, but CFR can repay the obligation at any time and retire the bond issue. Repayment of principal on the Bonds commenced on August 1, 2013. The Bonds currently bear interest at 70 percent of 1 month LIBOR plus 1 percent, which is determined by the calculation agent and is payable monthly, in arrears, on the first day of each month ("index rate"). The index rate resets on the first business day of each month utilizing one month LIBOR from two London business days prior to the reset date (first business day of each month). In no event shall the interest rate exceed the lesser of the highest interest rate, which may be borne by the Bonds under the laws of the District of Columbia and 12 percent per annum.

As of June 30, 2016 and 2015, the index rate was 1.22 percent and 1.13 percent, respectively. The LIBOR index rate mode began September 4, 2012 (the "Conversion Date"), and ranged from 1.32 percent to 1.11 percent for fiscal years 2016 and 2015. Interest expense on the bonds was \$721,600 and \$675,600 for the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

Pursuant to the Security and Intercreditor Agreement executed in connection with the reissuance of the bonds, CFR has pledged and granted to Wells Fargo a first priority, security interest in all of CFR's gross revenues as collateral.

Principal payments are as follows for the years subsequent to June 30, 2016:

	Principal
Year Ending June 30	
2017	\$ 1,690,000
2018	1,765,000
2019	1,830,000
2020	1,905,000
2021	1,980,000
Thereafter	48,805,000
Total	\$ 57,975,000

CFR entered into an interest rate swap agreement, with an effective date of December 7, 2007, whereby CFR agreed to swap its variable rate of interest on the Bonds for a fixed rate equal to 3.719 percent. The interest rate swap was novated on September 4, 2012, to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., with an effective date of September 1, 2012, and a fixed rate equal to 3.37 percent. The notional amount, per the novated swap agreement, is \$57,975,000 and \$59,605,000 as of June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively, and is amortized annually until the termination date on August 1, 2037. The fair value of the swap agreement as of June 30, 2016 and 2015, is a liability of \$9,649,500 and \$7,826,100, respectively. Net settlement transactions related to the swap agreement resulted in a net loss to CFR totaling \$1,860,600 and \$1,971,100 for the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

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As of and for the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, amounts included within the financial statements relating to the interest rate swap agreement are as follows:

				2016		
Fair Value		Statement of Financial Position Location	Inte Agreer	nge in Value of rest Rate Swap nent for the Year d June 30, 2015	Statement of Activities Location	Level Withir Fair Value Hierarchy
\$ 9,649,500		Interest-rate swap agreement (liabilities)	\$	(1,823,400)	Change in value of interest-rate swap agreement	Level 2
				2015		
Fair Valu		Statement of Financial Position Location	Inte Agree	nge in Value of rest Rate Swap nent for the Year d June 30, 2014	Statement of Activities Location	Level Within Fair Value Hierarchy
\$ 7,82	26,100	Interest-rate swap agreement (liabilities)	\$	(215,600)	Change in value of interest-rate swap agreement	Level 2

Effective February 1, 2014, CFR entered into a credit agreement with Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., to provide a revolving line of credit note in the amount of \$6 million. The line of credit was originally available between the date of the agreement and January 31, 2015. During fiscal 2016, the maturity date of the line of credit was extended to January 31, 2017. No amounts were outstanding under the line of credit as of June 30, 2016 and 2015.

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#### 9. TEMPORARILY AND PERMANENTLY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS

Temporarily restricted net assets as of June 30, 2016 and 2015, are restricted for the following purposes:

	 2016	 2015
Studies Program	\$ 63,102,100	\$ 59,127,500
NY Meetings	3,240,100	3,373,200
Term member	586,600	839,900
Foreign Affairs publications	1,600,500	1,522,400
National Program	464,700	504,300
Digital Program	2,610,100	-
Education Program	2,250,000	1,017,200
Capital	2,117,300	2,384,900
Various programs/operating purposes	 85,682,500	 99,368,600
Total	\$ 161,653,900	\$ 168,138,000

Temporarily restricted net assets were released from restrictions by incurring expenses satisfying the restricted purposes or by the occurrence of other events specified by the donors for the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, as follows:

	2016	 2015
Studies Program	\$ 14,259,700	\$ 11,625,500
NY Meetings	621,300	554,300
DC programs	-	156,300
Term member	253,300	246,400
Foreign Affairs publications	246,600	192,700
National Program	243,300	267,100
Outreach Program	336,200	392,300
Digital Program	82,700	150,000
Education Program	1,638,800	994,300
Capital	267,600	176,800
Various programs/operating programs	 12,046,000	 10,390,000
Total	\$ 29,995,500	\$ 25,145,700

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Permanently restricted net assets as of June 30, 2016 and 2015, consist of the following. The income earned on the related investments is available for the following purposes:

	 2016	 2015
Studies Program	\$ 86,034,200	\$ 78,900,800
NY Meetings	7,419,800	7,418,900
National Program	2,000,000	2,000,000
Library	156,700	156,700
Foreign Affairs publications	2,620,200	2,620,200
Term member	2,500,000	2,500,000
Other	2,082,600	2,082,600
Various programs/operating purposes	 95,368,100	 83,848,700
Total	\$ 198,181,600	\$ 179,527,900

#### 10. ENDOWMENT NET ASSETS

The State of New York passed the New York Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act ("NYPMIFA"), its version of the Uniform Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act ("UPMIFA"). All not-for-profit organizations formed in New York must apply this law. It was effective for CFR's 2011 fiscal year. In addition, NYPMIFA created a rebuttable presumption of imprudence if an organization appropriates more than 7 percent of a donor-restricted permanent endowment fund's fair value (averaged over a period of not less than the preceding five years) in any year. Any unappropriated earnings that would otherwise be considered unrestricted by the donor will be reflected as temporarily restricted until appropriated for expenditure.

CFR classifies as permanently restricted net assets: (a) the original value of gifts donated to its permanent endowment, (b) the original value of subsequent gifts to its permanent endowment, and (c) accumulations to its permanent endowment made in accordance with the direction of the applicable donor gift instrument at the time the accumulation is added to the fund. The remaining portion of the donor-restricted endowment fund that is not classified in permanently restricted net assets is classified as temporarily restricted net assets until such amounts are appropriated for expenditure by the Board of Directors of CFR in a manner consistent with the standard of prudence prescribed by NYPMIFA. In accordance with NYPMIFA, CFR considers the following factors in making a determination to appropriate or accumulate donor-restricted endowment funds:

- the duration and preservation of the endowment fund;
- the purposes of CFR and its donor-restricted endowment fund;
- general economic conditions;
- the possible effect of inflation or deflation;
- the expected total return from income and appreciation of endowment investments;
- other resources of CFR:
- the investment policies of CFR; and,
- where appropriate, alternatives to spending from the donor-restricted endowment fund and the possible effects on CFR.

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CFR's endowment investment policy is to invest primarily in a mix of equities, fixed income securities, and alternative investments based on an asset allocation to satisfy its overall endowment financial and investment objectives, such as to preserve principal, protect against inflation, receive stable returns, and achieve long-term growth. CFR relies on a total return strategy in which investment returns are achieved through both capital appreciation (realized and unrealized) and current yield (interest and dividends). Annual spending from the endowment funds is described in Note 2.

The asset allocation plan provides for diversification of assets in an effort to maximize the investment return and manage risk of CFR consistent with market conditions.

Changes in endowment assets for the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, follow:

	2016							
		Unrestricted	ŗ	Femporarily Restricted		Permanently Restricted	Total Endowment Investments	
Investment activity								
Interest and dividends	\$	471,300	\$	1,695,600	\$	-	\$	2,166,900
Unrealized losses		(5,299,300)		(19,063,900)		-		(24,363,200)
Realized gains		3,346,000		12,036,800		-		15,382,800
Investment expenses		(495,900)		(1,784,000)				(2,279,900)
Total investment activity	_	(1,977,900)		(7,115,500)				(9,093,400)
Contributions/cash collected on endowment multi-year pledges Proceeds from sale of		-		-		9,159,300		9,159,300
investments/purchases, net	_	4,000				-		4,000
Amounts appropriated for expenditure		(4,154,200)		(13,229,100)				(17,383,300)
Total endowment activity		(6,128,100)		(20,344,600)		9,159,300		(17,313,400)
Endowment net assets, beginning of year	_	81,735,700		119,489,600		170,121,100		371,346,400
Endowment net assets, end of year	\$	75,607,600	\$	99,145,000	\$	179,280,400	\$	354,033,000

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					2015			
	Unrestricted		Temporarily Permanently Restricted Restricted				Total Endowment Investments	
Investment activity								
Interest and dividends	\$	353,300	\$	1,245,700	\$	-	\$	1,599,000
Unrealized gains		(274,600)		(968,200)		-		(1,242,800)
Realized gains		2,619,000		9,233,600		-		11,852,600
Investment expenses		(509,800)		(1,797,000)				(2,306,800)
Total investment activity		2,187,900		7,714,100		<u>-</u>		9,902,000
Contributions/cash collected on endowment multi-year pledges Proceeds from sale of		4,986,900		-		3,317,500		8,304,400
investments/purchases, net		14,500		<u>-</u>		-		14,500
Amounts appropriated for expenditure		(3,913,900)		(12,151,100)				(16,065,000)
Total endowment activity		3,275,400		(4,437,000)		3,317,500		2,155,900
Endowment net assets, beginning of year		78,460,300		123,926,600		166,803,600		369,190,500
Endowment net assets, end of year	\$	81,735,700	\$	119,489,600	\$	170,121,100	\$	371,346,400

Endowment net asset amounts are net of contributions receivable for endowment and the associated discount on these receivables. Temporarily restricted net asset amounts represent endowment resources whose use is limited by donor-imposed stipulations.

Endowment net assets of \$354,033,000 and \$371,346,400 are included within investments on the accompanying statements of financial position as of June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively. In addition, CFR recorded endowment receivables of \$18,901,200 and \$9,406,800 as of June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively, which are recorded as permanently restricted net assets on the accompanying statements of financial position. Such endowment receivables are excluded from the endowment schedules until such time payment is received and are then included as part of contributions/cash collected on endowment multi-year pledges.

From time to time, the fair value of assets associated with individual donor-restricted endowment funds may fall below the level that the donor requires CFR to retain as a fund of perpetual duration. In accordance with CFR's policy, see Note 2, deficiencies of this nature are reported in either temporarily restricted or unrestricted net assets. These deficiencies result from unfavorable market fluctuations whereby the respective fair value of a donor-restricted endowment fund falls below the amount that is required to be maintained by law or donor restriction. As of June 30, 2016 and 2015, there were no deficiencies.

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#### 11. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

Fair value measurements are based on the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. In order to increase consistency and comparability in fair value measurements, a fair value hierarchy was established by the FASB, which prioritizes observable and unobservable inputs used to measure fair value into three levels, as described below.

- Level 1 Valuations for assets and liabilities traded in active exchange markets, such as the New York Stock Exchange. Level 1 measurements also include U.S. Treasury and federal agency securities and federal agency mortgage-backed securities, which are traded by dealers or brokers in active markets. Valuations are obtained from readily available pricing sources for market transactions involving identical assets or liabilities.
- Level 2 Valuations for assets and liabilities traded in less active dealer or broker markets. Valuations are obtained from third-party pricing services for identical or similar assets or liabilities.
- Level 3 Valuations for assets and liabilities that are derived from other valuation methodologies, including option pricing models, discounted cash flow models or similar techniques, and not based on market exchange, dealer, or broker-traded transactions. Level 3 valuations incorporate certain assumptions and projections in determining the fair value assigned to such assets or liabilities.

Observable inputs reflect assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset or liabilities developed from sources independent of the reporting entity. Unobservable inputs reflect the reporting entity's own assumptions about what market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability developed based on the best information available in the circumstances.

CFR has segregated all financial assets and liabilities that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis, except for those investments and assets of trusts administered by CFR, measured at fair value using the NAV per share practical expedient, into the most appropriate level within the fair value hierarchy based on the inputs used to determine the fair value.

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Financial assets and liabilities reported at fair value on the accompanying financial statements as of June 30, 2016 and 2015, are classified in the table as follows:

	2016							
		Level 1		Level 2	Net Aset Value		Total	
Assets reported at fair value								
Investments:								
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	36,642,900	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 3	6,642,900
Long-only equities		17,830,800		-	ç	91,045,300	10	8,876,100
Deflation hedges		-		7,030,200		-		7,030,200
Growth-oriented hedge funds		-		-	6	54,254,600	6	4,254,600
Diversifiers		-		-	11	12,720,100	11	2,720,100
Private equity		-		-	1	19,590,900	1	9,590,900
Private hard assets				-		4,918,200		4,918,200
Total investments		54,473,700		7,030,200	29	92,529,100	35	4,033,000
Γotal assets reported at fair value	\$	54,473,700	\$	7,030,200	\$ 29	92,529,100	\$ 35	4,033,000
Liabilities reported at fair value								
nterest rate swap agreement	\$		\$	(9,649,500)	\$	-	\$ (	9,649,500)
Total liabilities reported at fair value	\$		\$	(9,649,500)	\$		\$ (	9,649,500)
					2015			
		Level 1		Level 2	No	et Asset Value		Total
Assets reported at fair value								
Investments:								
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	26,835,200	\$	-	\$	-	\$	26,835,20
Long-only equities		13,873,000		-		105,918,700		119,791,70
Deflation hedges		-		6,887,300		-		6,887,30
Growth-oriented hedge funds		-		-		59,855,400		59,855,4
Diversifiers		-		-		98,134,400		98,134,40
Private equity		-		-		24,943,600		24,943,60
Private hard assets	_			-		4,898,900		4,898,90
Total investments		40,708,200		6,887,300		293,751,000		341,346,50
Total assets reported at fair value	\$	40,708,200	\$	6,887,300	\$	293,751,000	\$	341,346,50
iabilities reported at fair value								
nterest rate swap agreement	<u>\$</u>		\$	(7,826,100)	\$		<u>\$</u>	(7,826,1
Total liabilities reported at fair value	\$		\$	(7,826,100)	\$	_	\$	(7,826,10
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June 30, 2016 and 2015

Investments in money market funds and corporate equities are valued using quoted market prices in active markets (Level 1). Level 1 instrument valuations are obtained from real-time quotes for transactions in active exchange markets involving identical assets as of the measurement date. Investments in corporate obligations and U.S. government bonds and notes are valued using quoted prices in inactive markets (Level 2). Level 2 valuations are obtained from similar assets or model-derived valuations in which all significant inputs are observable or can be derived principally from or corroborated with observable market data.

The fair value of the interest rate swap agreement is determined using observable market inputs such as current interest rates, credit risk of CFR, and that of its counterparty (Level 2).

Certain of CFR's investments classified as alternative investments are recorded at fair value in an amount equal to the NAV, as reported by the investment managers, of shares of units held by CFR at year-end. Such investments have not been categorized within the fair value heirarchy in accordance with ASU 2015-07 (see Note 2). The financial statements of these alternative investments are prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP and are audited annually by independent auditors.

These alternative investments strategies include diversified portfolio allocations across a broad range of equity, debt, derivative, and commodity investments. Redemptions, at NAV, of shares in these investments range from quarterly to annually, generally with forty-five to ninety days' notice, and typically after the expiration of any defined lock-up period(s).

The following tables summarize CFR's investments valued at NAV:

				2016			
Investment Objective	Fair Value		Unfunded Commitments		Redemption Frequency	Notice Period	
Long-only equities	\$	91,045,300	\$	-	Quarterly	10–90 days	
Growth-oriented hedge funds		64,254,600		-	Quarterly-Triennially	60–90 days	
Diversifiers		112,720,100		-	Monthly-Semi-Annually	60–90 days	
Private equity		19,590,900		6,641,600	Illiquid	n/a	
Private hard assets		4,918,200		3,727,700	Illiquid	n/a	
	\$	292,529,100	\$	10,369,300			

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Investment Objective	Fair Value		Unfunded Commitments		Redemption Frequency	Notice Period	
Long-only equities Growth-oriented hedge funds Diversifiers Private equity Private hard assets	\$	105,918,700 59,855,400 98,134,400 24,943,600 4,898,900	\$	- - - 8,121,000 4,753,000	Daily–Quarterly Quarterly–Annually Monthly–Annually Illiquid Illiquid	1–90 days 30–90 days 60–180 days n/a	
	\$	293,751,000	\$	12,874,000			

## Notes to Financial Statements

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#### 12. COMMITMENTS

#### **Operating leases**

CFR leases certain equipment under operating lease arrangements.

Future minimum payments for noncancellable operating leases as of June 30, 2016, are as follows:

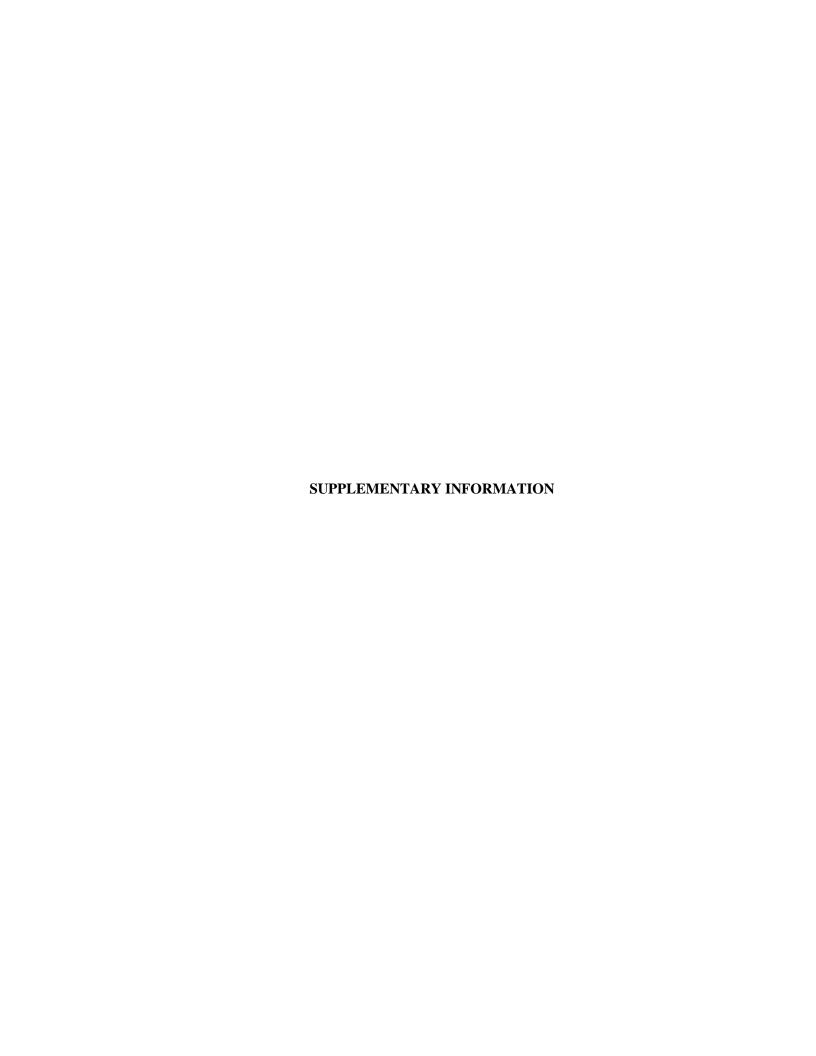
Year Ending June 30	
2017	\$ 133,900
2018	105,000
2019	52,600
2020	1,400
Total	\$ 292,900

Rent expense under the operating leases amounted to \$137,900 and \$121,100 for the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

#### **Rental Income**

CFR has entered into a sublease agreement to lease office space. Minimum future guaranteed rental income payments due under the sublease agreement are as follows:

Year Ending June 30	
2017	\$ 328,900
2018	 164,500
	\$ 493,400



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	Program Services												
	Studies Program	Task Force	NY Meetings	DC Programs	Special Events	Foreign Affairs	National Program	Outreach	Term Program	Digital Program	Education Program	Global Board of Advisors	Total Programs
Salaries and wages	\$ 11,888,000	\$ 128,000	\$ 657,900	\$ 707,400	\$ 513,100	\$ 2,922,100	\$ 403,600	\$ 635,800	\$ 88,600	\$ 1,505,000	\$ 860,800	\$ 7,400	\$ 20,317,700
Other compensation	988,300	10,900	81,700	61,000	196,700	476,200	51,800	72,900	13,400	156,200	120,300	400	2,229,800
Payroll taxes and employee benefits	3,569,400	40,000	198,400	228,300	160,300	921,800	124,700	198,900	26,500	464,100	270,400	2,400	6,205,200
Meeting expenses	681,100	18,900	385,700	300,100	2,500	180,100	455,000	212,800	139,800	6,000	2,400	28,700	2,413,100
Printing, publication, and promotion expenses	186,300	23,100	6,800	4,000	21,500	2,484,900	3,600	42,900	3,300	88,300	26,800	2,000	2,893,500
Research materials	283,400	100	9,100	19,500	300	50,600	6,300	6,200	100	15,100	14,100	600	405,400
Travel-related expenses	1,490,100	48,300	38,900	76,200	5,500	94,700	111,700	180,100	35,800	61,800	26,300	21,800	2,191,200
Administration and finance expenses	406,900	8,000	17,000	46,200	14,200	543,500	6,900	8,900	3,100	33,800	13,400	100	1,102,000
Interest expenses	1,168,600	28,300	-	193,500	28,800	-	-	-	-	68,000	-	-	1,487,200
Depreciation	1,204,000	15,900	36,800	108,500	51,800	602,300	32,400	20,000	5,800	113,100	45,000	8,800	2,244,400
Business expenses	106,700	2,800	12,300	4,300	6,100	561,600	7,800	35,800	2,700	14,200	7,100	1,200	762,600
Operations	626,200	5,800	32,200	39,500	31,800	123,100	22,800	14,300	4,100	66,600	31,600	6,200	1,004,200
Professional services	3,060,000	44,300	132,300	74,700	100,700	1,781,100	73,700	70,400	19,200	459,800	770,600	4,700	6,591,500
Information technology	898,300	11,100	88,500	28,200	43,700	433,200	39,100	57,700	12,700	115,500	68,200		1,796,200
Total expenses	\$ 26,557,300	\$ 385,500	\$ 1,697,600	\$ 1,891,400	\$ 1,177,000	\$ 11,175,200	\$ 1,339,400	\$ 1,556,700	\$ 355,100	\$ 3,167,500	\$ 2,257,000	\$ 84,300	\$ 51,644,000

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For the year ended June 30, 2016, with comparative totals for 2015

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	Total Programs	Development Corporate Program		Management and General	Membership	Total Supporting	2016 Total	2015
Salaries and wages	\$ 20,317,700	\$ 1,150,700	\$ 929,400	\$ 2,689,400	\$ 563,800	\$ 5,333,300	\$ 25,651,000	\$ 23,790,800
Other compensation	2,229,800	117,100	120,400	2,393,900	62,300	2,693,700	4,923,500	4,525,100
Payroll taxes and employee benefits	6,205,200	367,600	290,700	818,600	175,400	1,652,300	7,857,500	7,307,000
Meeting expenses	2,413,100	179,300	256,300	109,500	24,900	570,000	2,983,100	2,689,200
Printing, publication, and promotion expenses	2,893,500	31,700	23,400	41,300	234,200	330,600	3,224,100	3,428,000
Research materials	405,400	26,800	16,300	56,100	2,100	101,300	506,700	500,000
Travel-related expenses	2,191,200	84,600	106,500	111,100	17,300	319,500	2,510,700	2,238,300
Administration and finance expenses	1,102,000	36,100	29,700	386,500	190,900	643,200	1,745,200	2,202,400
Interest expenses	1,487,200	-	71,400	1,023,600	-	1,095,000	2,582,200	2,646,700
Depreciation	2,244,400	66,800	71,700	1,440,600	35,600	1,614,700	3,859,100	3,135,800
Business expenses	762,600	34,600	7,300	334,300	13,900	390,100	1,152,700	1,238,500
Operations	1,004,200	48,700	36,800	586,000	25,000	696,500	1,700,700	1,853,900
Professional services	6,591,500	93,100	113,200	875,600	67,600	1,149,500	7,741,000	6,431,500
Information technology	1,796,200	58,400	77,300	408,600	50,300	594,600	2,390,800	1,597,300
Total expenses	\$ 51,644,000	\$ 2,295,500	\$ 2,150,400	\$ 11,275,100	\$ 1,463,300	\$ 17,184,300	\$ 68,828,300	\$ 63,584,500