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S U M M A R Y R E P O R T  
FROM AN EXPEDITION SUPPORTED BY  
MOUNT EVEREST FOUNDATION



MEF support for an expedition is offered on condition that you submit detailed reports to the Foundation. To assist in fulfilling the initial part of this commitment, it is requested that you fill in this form and return (with three photo-copies, which we will forward to the AC, the RGS and the BMC) to the MEF Hon Secretary within six weeks of return from the expedition. Please feel free to continue on additional sheets if necessary.

1 - Name of Expedition:..... YANGTZE CAVES 96 .....

2 - MEF Reference:..... 96/36 ..... 3 - Country/Area:..... CHINA SICHUAN .....

4 - Names of all expedition members, indicating leader, climbing and support members:

- . A J EAVIS . B JUDD . D BROOK . P FRANCIS . A GALLAGHER . A GARMAN .....
- . A GREGORY . B LOVETT . E LYNCH . S MULHULL . K MUNN . J SHELDON .....
- . L SHEDON . S BROOKS . T GHARMAN . P EDMUNDS . P HALL . D HARRISSON .....
- K McCULLOUGH   K TAYLOR   J WALLS

5 - Address and telephone number(s) of leader:

. A J EAVIS . TIDESREACH . REDCLIFF ROAD . HESSLE .....

. EAST YORKSHIRE . HU13 0HA .....

6 - Objective(s) of expedition - mountaineering, scientific, medical; include location of objective (or study area) with indication of special points of interest (e.g. first ascent of NW Ridge) and heights of peaks:

To continue the exploration of some of the largest and longest  
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..... caves in the world .....

7 - Overall dates of expedition (e.g. March-June 1993) and if possible, details of dates spent on access, on the mountain and on return:

... 3rd August 1996 - 23rd September 1996 .....

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8 - Brief comments about expedition, with technical details of route and maximum height reached:

.. The expedition explored over 22km of enormous cave .....  
.. passage... All were surveyed and photographed a full report  
.. is in preparation.....  
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9 - Weather conditions, and if appropriate, reasons for retreat:

The weather was much wetter than it should have been. One of  
main river caves could not be completed because of the weather  
A follow up expedition will complete this late 1997.....  
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10 - Note of any accident to expedition members or to porters; also cases of serious illness, especially oedema - pulmonary or cerebral:

No illness or injury  
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11 - Any other relevant comments (permit, LO etc):

There were serious problems with the shipping of freight to  
China... It was decided to leave all the equipment in store  
in China for future expeditions:.....  
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12 - Brief financial details, with income and expenditure:

.. Travel .....	30000	.....
.. Field costs .....	16500	.....
.. Equipment .....	3500	.....
.. <u>Other costs</u> .....	<u>2500</u>	.....
.. TOTAL .....	52500	.....
.. Members Contribution .....	33500	.....
.. Sales .....	2000	.....
.. <u>Grants, Donations etc</u> .....	<u>17000</u>	.....
.....	52500	.....

13 Approx date when Final Report will be submitted: MAY 1997

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