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Administrative and financial implications of the draft resolution  
contained in document A/L.645 and Add.1

Report of the Fifth Committee

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1. At its 1474th meeting, on 7 December 1971, the Fifth Committee, in compliance with rule 154 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, considered the statement by the Secretary-General (A/C.5/1412) on the administrative and financial implications of the draft resolution contained in document A/L.645 and Add.1 and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/8408/Add.17).
2. Under the terms of the draft resolution, the General Assembly would request the Secretary-General to prepare every other year an informative report on scientific works produced by national and international, governmental and non-governmental, public and private institutions in the field of peace research, and to submit the first such report to the Assembly at its twenty-eight session.
3. In his statement (A/C.5/1412), the Secretary-General indicated that an additional provisional post, at the P-4 level, would be required in the Department of Political and Security Council Affairs for an officer to undertake the work connected with the implementation of this draft resolution. With regard to the reports to be submitted to the General Assembly every other year, the Secretary-General estimated the related costs at \$9,900 based on current rates for

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contractual translation and typing and internal reproduction and on the assumption that each such report would consist of approximately 120 pages to be issued in five languages as a document of the General Assembly. These costs would first arise in 1973 and every other year thereafter.

4. The Advisory Committee indicated in its report (A/8408/Add.17) that it firmly believed that the necessary manpower existed within the Secretariat to carry out the work envisaged in the draft resolution and that the addition of a new post, even on a provisional basis, was not justified. In its view the work involved could be done on a part-time basis by one or more of the present officials, taking full advantage of the facilities offered by the Dag Hammarskjöld Library. Accordingly, the Advisory Committee considered that no additional appropriation would be required for 1972 if the draft resolution is adopted by the General Assembly.

5. The Fifth Committee decided without objection to inform the General Assembly that, should it adopt the draft resolution contained in document A/L.645 and Add.1, no additional appropriation would be required for the financial year 1972.

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