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PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1980-1981

Administrative and financial implications of draft
resolution II recommended by the Third Committee
(A/35/650 and Corr.1, para. 13)

Report of the Fifth Committee

Rapporteur: Mr. Carl C. PEDERSEN (Canada)

1. At its 34th meeting, on 24 November 1980, the Fifth Committee, pursuant to rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, considered the statement submitted by the Secretary-General (A/C.5/35/55 and Corr.1) on the administrative and financial implications of draft resolution II, entitled "International Conference on Assistance to Refugees in Africa" recommended by the Third Committee (A/35/650 and Corr.1, para. 13), as well as the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/35/7/Add.12).

2. Statements and comments made in the course of the Committee's discussion of this question are reflected in the summary record of the meeting (A/C.5/35/SR.34).

DECISION OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE

3. The Fifth Committee decided, without objection, to inform the General Assembly that, should it adopt draft resolution II recommended by the Third Committee (A/35/650 and Corr.1, para. 13), an additional appropriation of \$400,000 would be required under section 21 (Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees) of the programme budget for the biennium 1980-1981. Furthermore, an appropriation of \$30,800 would be required under section 31 (staff assessment) offset by an equivalent amount under income section 1.

4. The related conference servicing requirements, which should not exceed \$53,000, would be considered in the context of the consolidated statement to be submitted to the General Assembly towards the end of its current session.

5. The representatives of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and of the United States of America explained their positions after the decision.
