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PROPOSED PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1984-1985

UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE FOR THE PROMOTION OF INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION IN THE PEACEFUL USES OF NUCLEAR ENERGY

Administrative and financial implications of the draft resolution contained in document A/38/L.35

Statement submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly

- 1. By operative paragraph 1 of the draft resolution contained in document A/38/L.35, the General Assembly would decide that the United Nations Conference for the Promotion of International Co-operation in the Peaceful Uses of Nuclear Energy should be held in 1986.
- 2. By operative paragraph 2 of the draft resolution, the General Assembly would request the Chairman of the Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference for the Promotion of International Co-operation in the Peaceful Uses of Nuclear Energy and the Secretary-General of the Conference to undertake immediately appropriate consultations with Member States which could facilitate the resolution of pending issues related to the Conference, including its provisional agenda and rules of procedure, as well as to the venue and the actual dates of the Conference, and to report thereon to the Preparatory Committee at its fifth session, and would decide that the expenses incurred in this regard would be covered from existing budgetary resources.
- 3. By operative paragraph 3, the Assembly would take note with appreciation that the Conference secretariat was proceeding with the preparations for the Conference and would request the Secretary-General of the Conference to continue those preparations.

- 4. By operative paragraph 4, the General Assembly would also decide that the Preparatory Committee would hold its fifth session at Vienna in June 1984 for a period of up to two weeks in order to complete its work on an agreed agenda as well as on other outstanding issues related to the Conference.
- 5. By operative paragraph 5, the General Assembly would request the Preparatory Committee to submit a report to the General Assembly at its thirty-ninth session so that the Assembly might consider, in the light of that report, the venue and actual dates for the Conference in 1986 and for possible further meetings of the Committee.
- 6. Should the draft resolution be adopted by the General Assembly, administrative and financial implications would arise as discussed in paragraphs 12 to 26 below.
- 7. As regards the proposed decision in operative paragraph 2 that the expenses incurred in respect of the consultation with Member States by the Chairman of the Preparatory Committee and the Secretary-General of the Conference should be covered from existing resources, the attention of the Assembly is drawn to the fact that no budgetary resources have been provided in the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1984-1985 for the United Nations Conference for the Promotion of International Co-operation in the Peaceful Uses of Nuclear Energy and that, consequently, administrative and financial implications would arise in order to respond to that recommendation. As regards the request in the same paragraph of the draft resolution that the Chairman of the Preparatory Committee undertake appropriate consultations with Member States, it is assumed that the related expenditures for travel and subsistence would be paid by the United Nations as an exception to the basic principles set out in resolution 1798 (XVII).

I. BACKGROUND

- 8. It will be recalled that the General Assembly in resolution 37/167:
- (a) Requested the Preparatory Committee and the Secretary-General of the Conference, in order to speed up substantive preparations, to make appropriate arrangements, including as necessary through intersessional work by States members of the Committee under the guidance of the Chairman and also through regional efforts and appropriate public information activities, with a view to ensuring meaningful results from the Conference;
- (b) Reiterated that the aim of the Conference was to promote international co-operation in the peaceful uses of nuclear energy and, to that end, to establish universally accepted principles for such co-operation in accordance with the objectives contained in General Assembly resolution 32/50;
- (c) Decided that the necessary resources should be provided to ensure successful preparations for the Conference, including adequate staffing of the secretariat and the availability of expert support in the substantive fields to be covered by the Conference.

- 9. On the basis of those provisions of resolution 37/167, the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, during its review of the related statement of administrative and financial implications (A/C.5/37/85), noted that various requirements in 1983 for the Conference were based on assumptions that could be verified only after decisions had been taken by the fourth session of the Preparatory Committee. 1/ Accordingly, it recommended, and the General Assembly approved, an initial appropriation of \$555,000, consisting of salaries and common staff costs for six months each of nine temporary assistance posts (one Assistant Secretary-General, one D-2, one D-1, one P-5, one P-2 and four General Service posts, including one at the principal level), consultancy service, travel and subsistence of staff to service the fourth and fifth sessions of the Preparatory Committee, other official travel of staff and information activities. The Advisory Committee recommended that estimates covering the balance of 1983 be submitted to it at its spring session.
- 10. The Preparatory Committee, at its fourth session, recommended, in its decision 5(IV), that the General Assembly should decide, at its resumed thirty-seventh session, that the Conference not be convened in 1983 and that, at its thirty-eighth session, it should decide on the date and venue of the fifth session of the Preparatory Committee for the Conference. 2/ The General Assembly, at the sixth meeting of its resumed thirty-seventh session, approved those recommendations. 3/
- 11. As indicated in paragraph 9 above, the concurrence of the Advisory Committee was sought to transfer credits of \$126,400 from section 27 (Public information) to section 4 (Policy-making organs: economic and social activities), in accordance with the provisions of resolution 36/240 of the General Assembly and rule 104.4 of the Financial Rules and Regulations of the United Nations. The transfer was made after it was determined that most of the information activities originally envisaged for the Conference would not be undertaken in 1983, and after it was decided that that amount would be sufficient to meet the remaining requirements of the Conference secretariat this year. The Advisory Committee concurred in the request and asked that a performance report on the actual expenditures incurred be submitted to the General Assembly at its thirty-eighth session in the context of the report on requirements for further preparations for the Conference. The total appropriations and expenditures in 1982-1983 for activities related to the Conference, distributed by sections of the programme budget and main objects of expenditure as well as redeployments between budget sections and/or between main objects of expenditure, are shown in annex I, together with the activities undertaken so far by the Conference secretariat.

II. ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS OF THE CONTINUATION OF PREPARATORY ACTIVITIES

12. The continuation of the preparatory activities consequent upon the adoption of the draft resolution contained in document A/38/L.35 will give rise to expenditures which are broken down by (a) detailed requirements in 1984-1985, for which additional appropriations are being requested in the current session of the Assembly, and (b) summary of requirements in 1986, which will be requested in the context of the Secretary-General's initial proposal for the proposed programme budget for 1986-1987.

A. Conference secretariat and related requirements

13. In order to carry out the activities recommended in the draft resolution contained in document A/38/L.35, the Conference secretariat would require the necessary resources to continue with the preparatory activities for the Conference, which would now include the consultations to be undertaken with Member States on the unresolved issues related to the Conference, including its provisional agenda and rules of procedure as well as the date and venue of the Conference itself. Bearing in mind the need for stringent economy and in order to ensure the maximum utilization of resources, it is requested that the level of temporary assistance posts approved by the General Assembly at its thirty-seventh session in its resolution 37/243 be continued during the 1984-1985 biennium. The additional requirements that would arise are indicated below, broken down in detail for 1984-1985 and summarized for 1986.

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	Salaries \$	Common staff costs	Common services costs a/	Total \$	Salaries, common staff costs and common services costs \$	Grai tot.
One ASG	152 600	55 600	17 900	226 100	115 000	341
One D-2	128 700	43 100	11 700	183 500	93 300	276
One D-1	119 000	38 700	12 700	170 400	83 800	254
One P-5	109 700	35 600	2 500	147 800	75 200	223
One P-2	60 600	19 700	2 500	82 800	42 100	124
One GS						
(principal level)	53 200	17 300	4 300	74 800	37 000	111
One GS	29 600	9 600	1 900	41 100	21 000	62
One GS	29 600	9 600	1 900	41 100	21 000	62
One GS	29 600	9 600	1 900	41 100	21 000	62
Total	712 600	238 800	<u>57 300</u>	1 008 700	509 400	1 518

 $[\]underline{a}$ / Includes an amount of \$8,000 of non-recurrent item for one post each at the D-1 and G-5 levels which were not encumbered in the 1982-1983 biennium.

b/ Costed for 12 months in 1986 at 1985 rates.

60 000

14. The Conference secretariat would also require the services of consultants to assist in the preparatory work and in the preparation of documentation for the Conference for an estimated 32 work-months of consultants' services amounting to \$160,000. Three work-months of consultancy each would be required by ESCAP, ECLA, ECA and ECWA, at an estimated total of \$60,000. The description of tasks and work-months required in 1984-1985 are indicated below.

		Cost \$
(a)	Consultancy services for the Conference secretariat	-
	Tasks to be performed	
(i)	Four work-months each for the examination and technical appraisal of answers by Governments to the questionnaire and technical contributions to possible follow-up:	
	a. Nuclear energy for power production	20 000
	 Other peaceful applications of nuclear science and technology 	20 000
(ii)	Eight work-months for technical co-ordination and evaluation of background papers and other documentation by international organizations and other institutions	40 000
(iii)	Five work-months each for evaluation and comparative study of the outcome of regional expert group meetings:	
	a. Nuclear energy for power production	25 000
	b. Other peaceful applications of nuclear science and technology	25 000
(iv)	Three work-months for the preparation of background material for meeting of experts from the European region	15 000
(v)	Three work-months for the evaluation of current and potential technical co-operation activities in the	15 000
	field of peaceful uses of nuclear energy	15 000
	Sub-total	160 000

(b) Consultancy services for the regional commissions

Tasks to be performed

Three work-months each would be required by ESCAP, ECLA, ECA and ECWA for studies on regional power grids and integration in grids of small- and medium-sized nuclear-power plants; applications of nuclear science and technology in food and agriculture, health and medicine, hydrology, industry, etc.; problems faced by countries in the region in the development of nuclear energy in such areas as financing, infrastructure development and manpower training

Total 220 00

- 15. On the assumption that the General Assembly would be making an exception to resolution 1798 (XVII), the cost which would arise for the travel and subsistence of the Chairman is estimated at \$20,000, which provides for consultations by the Chairman with Government representatives in Vienna and other travel in accordance with the recommendation contained in operative paragraph 2 of the draft resolution. Additional travel requirements may arise, but the extent of these cannot be determined at this time.
- 16. In addition, an amount of \$150,000 would also be required, \$100,000 of which would be needed in 1984-1985, for the travel of the Secretary-General of the Conference to undertake consultations with Member States and to carry out, together with his staff, substantive and technical preparations for the Conference and to attend sessions of the General Assembly.

B. Meetings

Regional expert group meetings

- 17. As indicated in paragraphs 10 and 11 of annex I below, regional expert group meetings would need to be convened in 1984. The estimated cost of these meetings are indicated in table 1 below based on the following assumptions:
- (a) One regional expert group meeting each would be held at the headquarters of ESCAP, ECLA, ECA and ECWA, lasting five days, except for ESCAP, which would be of four days' duration; a meeting of experts from the European region would be held in Vienna for five days;
- (b) The languages of interpretation and documentation would be the official languages of the regional commissions where the meetings are held;
- (c) There would be 75 pages of pre-session and 30 pages of post-session documentation for each meeting;
- (d) There would be 20 pages of in-session documentation for the meeting in ESCAP and 25 pages of in-session documentation for the meetings in ECLA, ECA, ECWA and for the meeting in Vienna;
- (e) Travel and subsistence would be paid to the experts attending the meetings;
- (f) Provision for the travel of the Secretary-General of the Conference and two staff members of the Conference secretariat would be required.

Table 2

	European meeting \$	ESCAP \$	ECLA \$	ECA \$	ECWA \$	Total
Travel and subsistence of						
staff (Secretary-General of the Conference and two staff members)	-	14 400	16 200	8 800	8 500	47 900
Travel and subsistence of						
experts	20 000	20 000	25 000	30 000	25 000	120 000
Total	20 000	34 400	41 200	38 800	33 500	167 900
Conference-servicing costs <u>a</u> /	80 700	215 500	140 300	135 500	134 600	706 600

<u>a</u>/ Details of the conference-servicing requirements are contained in annex II to the present document.

Fifth session of the Preparatory Committee

- 18. As indicated in operative paragraph 4 of the draft resolution, the fifth session of the Preparatory Committee would be held in Vienna in June 1984. In this connection, it is drawn to the attention of the Assembly that the only available dates in Vienna for the meeting are from 25 June to 6 July 1984. The costs are estimated at \$280,200 for (a) the travel and subsistence of one staff from each of the regional commissions (\$17,700); (b) two staff members from the Office of Secretariat Services for Economic and Social Matters (\$6,200), and conference-servicing requirements (\$256,300) calculated on full-cost basis, details of which are contained in annex III of this document based on the following assumptions:
- (a) The meeting would be of 10 days' duration, with one meeting in the morning and one in the afternoon;
- (b) Interpretation and documentation would be provided in all the official languages of the General Assembly;
- (c) There would be 75 pages each of pre-session and in-session documentation and 32 pages of post-session documentation. Of the 75 pages of pre-session documentation, 30 pages would be reproduced from existing documents, thus requiring no provision for translation.

C. Information programme

- 19. In accordance with operative paragraph 2 of the draft resolution before the General Assembly, and considering that by adopting that resolution a new time-frame for the holding of the Conference will be set, the Secretary-General believes that the conditions now exist for proceeding with a public information programme as outlined below.
- 20. The objectives of the information programme would be to highlight the goals and purpose of the Conference with a view to attracting interest in support of it. Given the relatively limited number of countries which have access to nuclear technology at present, a major challenge of the information programme would be to explain the potential peaceful uses of nuclear energy in order to encourage universal participation in the Conference. These objectives would be brought to the attention of policy-makers, non-governmental organizations, academic institutions, scientific organizations and the public at large.
- 21. In terms of specific elements, the information programme would include provisions for co-ordination at the inter-agency level. Co-ordination of the input of the organizations within the United Nations system to the overall information programme for the Conference would be ensured through the Joint United Nations Information Committee (JUNIC). More specifically, the Department of Public Information (DPI) would work closely with the information service of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) in preparation for the Conference.
- 22. In order to stimulate public interest in the Conference, it is proposed to include the following activities in the information programme:
- (a) Promotional brochure for the Conference (\$10,000). As early as possible in 1985, a multicoloured promotional brochure describing the background and objectives of the Conference would be produced and distributed in New York and in Vienna, to the information centres, to non-governmental organizations (NGOs) and to the general public. The brochure would have from four to six pages folded and would be produced in the following languages and quantities: English (15,000), French (7,500), Spanish (7,500), Arabic (5,000), Russian (2,000). Preparations would be undertaken by DPI, in consultation with the Conference secretariat. The costs, amounting to \$10,000, would include typesetting, printing, translation and distribution.
- (b) Newsletter (\$40,000). Past experience has shown that a newsletter aimed at selective audiences is an effective means of providing information on preparatory activities and building interest in major United Nations events. It is proposed that six issues of the newsletter be produced, four in 1985 and two in 1986, with one issue devoted to summarizing the conclusions of the Conference itself. The six issues of the newsletter would be produced in the following languages and quantities: English (8,000), French (4,000), Spanish (4,000), Arabic (2,000), Russian (2,000), Chinese (2,000). The cost, amounting to \$40,000, would include translation, printing and distribution.

- (c) Press kit (\$63,000). As early as possible in 1986, a press kit would be produced for selected media and NGOs, containing background papers on the Conference and summarizing in journalistic language the scientific and technical aspects of the subject. It would also contain graphs and charts and be produced in English, French, Spanish and Arabic. The press run would be 5,000 in total. The cost of the press kit is estimated at \$63,000 in respect of translation, printing and distribution.
- (d) Development Forum supplement (\$30,000). In mid-1985, a supplement to the Development Forum, the single joint periodical of the organizations within the United Nations system devoted to economic and social matters, would be produced at a cost of \$30,000 for production, printing, translation and distribution in English, French and Spanish. Additionally, special briefings by DPI would be held in New York and Geneva. Special features on the Conference would also be covered in the UN Chronicle, and the results of the Conference would be featured in other regular publications of DPI, including United Nations Today (Suggestions for Speakers).
- (e) Radio programmes. The Radio Service of DPI will carry out radio programmes on the subject in its existing series (starting in 1985). Several hundred radio stations in many Member States include these taped programmes in their services produced and/or adapted in English, French, Spanish and Arabic. No additional resources would be required for this activity.
- (f) Poster (\$16,000). A poster for the Conference would be designed and printed in 1985 in all the official languages of the Conference with blanks for local languages. The poster would be produced in English (4,000), French (4,000), Spanish (4,000), Arabic (2,000), Russian (2,000) and Chinese (2,000). Production costs estimated at \$16,000 would be required.
- (g) Briefing programme for journalists (\$33,000). In previous United Nations special conferences, it has been found extremely useful to hold a briefing for journalists immediately before the event in order to facilitate sufficient world-wide coverage. All journalists accredited to the Conference would be invited. Provision has to be made to enable 10 journalists from developing countries to attend the briefing and the Conference itself.
- (h) National activities (\$64,000). Bearing in mind the need for the Conference to attract as wide a participation as possible, it is important that a number of national activities take place. Therefore, in order to ensure public awareness at a national level of the background to and objectives of the Conference, it is proposed that an amount of \$1,000 of seed money be provided in 1985 for each of the United Nations information centres throughout the world to carry out public information activities at the national level including the preparation and distribution of information material and the organization of seminars and media events. At a cost of \$1,000 for each of the 64 information centres, the additional requirements would be \$64,000.
- (i) Exhibition. Consideration will be given to holding an exhibition in Geneva at the time of the Conference. The exact scope of the exhibition will be

the subject of consultations with delegations. Extrabudgetary funds will be sought for this activity. DPI will work closely with IAEA as well as the Conference secretariat on this project.

- (j) <u>Supplementary staff and related costs (\$211,000</u>). In order to carry out the activities enumerated above, DPI would require 18 months of additional staff for one P-3 and one General Services staff in Vienna, and one P-2 and one General Services staff in New York, beginning in January 1985.
- 23. Of the requirements of DPI the resources required in 1985 estimated at \$266,400 would be for the following: brochure, press kit, <u>Development Forum</u>, poster, a portion of newsletter and national activities, and 12 months each of the staff indicated in subparagraph (j) above.

III. SUMMARY

- 24. In summary, should the General Assembly adopt the draft resolution contained in document A/38/L.35, the additional appropriation that would be required in the 1984-1985 biennium is estimated at \$1,806,900. The requirements in 1986, estimated at \$761,200 would be requested in the context of the proposed programme budget. These requirements are indicated in table 2 by sections of the programme budget and by main objects of expenditure.
- 25. The conference-servicing requirements, estimated at \$962,900, details of which are contained in annexes II and III of the present document, were costed on a full-cost basis. These requirements would be submitted to the General Assembly towards the end of its current session and in the context of the proposed programme budget for 1986-1987.
- 26. An additional amount of \$290,500 would also be required under section 31 in respect of staff assessment, to be offset by an increase in the same amount in the estimate of income under income section 1 (Income from staff assessment).

Table 3

	Paragraph reference	1984 \$	1985 \$	Total	1986 \$
Section 4. Policy-making organs (economic and social activities)					
Conference secretariat:					
Temporary assistance posts	13				
Salaries		350 000	362 600	712 600	362 600
Common staff costs		117 400	121 400	238 800	121 400
Consultants' fees and travel	14	80 000	80 000	160 000	_
Ad hoc expert group	17	20 000	-	20 000	-
Travel and subsistence of representatives	18	20 000	-	20 000	-
Travel of staff to meetings	17	47 900	-	47 900	
Official travel of staff	16	50 000	50 000	100 000	50 000
Subtotal		685 300	614 000	1 299 300	534 000
Office of Secretariat Services for Economic and Social Matters	s:				
Travel of staff to meetings	18	6 200	-	6 200	
Total, section 4		691 500	614 000	1 305 500	534 000
Section 10. ECE					
Consultancy services	14	-	_	-	_
Travel of staff to meetings	18	1 600		1 600	
Total, section 10		1 600		1 600	
Section 11. ESCAP					
Consultancy services	14	15 000	_	15 000	-
Ad hoc expert groups	17	20 000	_	20 000	_
Travel of staff to meetings	18	4 600		4 600	
Total, section ll		39 600		39 600	

	Paragraph reference	1984 \$	1985 \$	Total	1986 \$
Section 12. ECLA		*	•	•	•
Consultancy services	14	15 000	-	15 000	
Ad hoc expert groups	17	25 000	-	25 000	-
Travel of staff to meetings	18	5 200		5 200	
Total, section 12		45 200		45 200	
Section 13. ECA					
Consultancy services	14	15 000	-	15 000	-
Ad hoc expert groups	17	30 000	-	30 000	-
Travel of staff to meetings	18	3 400		3 400	
Total, section 13		48 400		48 400	
Section 14. ECWA					
Consultancy services	14	15 000	-	15 000	-
Ad hoc expert groups	17	25 000		25 000	-
Travel of staff to meetings	18	2 900	-	2 900	-
Total, section 14		42 900		42 900	
Section 27. Public information					
Temporary posts	22(j)				
Salaries		-	104 600	104 600	52 400
Common staff costs		-	34 700	34 700	17 000
Travel of participants	22(g)	-	-	-	33 000
External printing and binding	22(a) to				
Grants	22(f) 22(h)	_	82 800 42 000	82 800 42 000	76 200 22 000
Total, section 27	(,		264 100		200 600
Section 28D. Office of General Services, Headquarters					
Common services costs	22(j)	-	2 300	2 300	1 200
Section 28M. Administrative and common services, Vienna					
Common services costs	13	31 900	25 400	57 300	25 400
Grand total		901 100	905 800	1 806 900	761 200

Notes

- 1/ A/37/7/Add.20.
- 2/ See Offical Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 48A (A/37/48/Add.1), annex I.
 - 3/ A/BUR/37/SR.6.

Annex I

Expenditures in 1982-1983

	Total appropriation 1982-1983	Redeployments increase/ (decrease) \$	Total resources available	Expenditures 1982-1983 \$	Balance increase, (decrease)
Section 4. Policy- making organs (economic and social activities)					
General temporary assistance Consultants Temporary posts Common staff costs	256 000 51 200 187 500 58 000	(62 000) (21 400) 133 700	194 000 29 800 321 200 102 700	133 500 5 000 259 200 80 800	(60 500) (24 800) (62 000) (21 900)
Travel of staff to meetings Other official travel of staff General operating	31 000 59 800	- 23 400	39 000 83 200	31 500 83 200	(7 500) -
expenses Total Section 5A. Office	643 500	126 400	769 900	1 100 594 300	1 100 (175 600)
of the Director- General for Development and International Economic					
Co-operation Section 10. ECE	4 200	-	4 200	4 200	-
Consultants Travel Total	10 000 5 200 15 200	<u>-</u> <u>-</u>	10 000 5 200 15 200	3 100 3 100	(10 000) (2 100) (12 000)
Section 11. ESCAP Consultants 'Travel	10 000 17 600	<u>-</u>	10 000 17 600	<u>8 900</u>	(10 000) (<u>8 700</u>)
Total	<u>27 600</u>		<u>27 600</u>	8 900	(<u>18 700</u>)

	Total appropriation 1982-1983	Redeployments increase/ (decrease) \$	Total resources available \$	Expenditures 1982-1983 \$	Balance increase/ (decrease)
Section 12. ECLA					
Consultants Travel Total	10 000 15 300 25 300	<u>-</u>	10 000 15 300 25 300	10 000 2 900 12 900	(<u>12 400)</u> (<u>12 400)</u>
Section 13. ECA					
Consultants Travel Total	10 000 12 000 22 000	<u>-</u>	10 000 12 000 22 000	10 000 12 000 22 000	-
Section 14. ECWA					
Consultants Travel Total	10 000 10 200 20 200	=	10 000 10 200 20 200	10 000 2 900 12 900	(<u>7 300)</u> (<u>7 300</u>)
Section 27. Public information					
Travel of staff to meetings Contractual	2 400	(2 400)	-	-	-
services Grants	57 000 93 500 152 400	(31 000) (93 000) (126 400)	26 000 - 26 000	<u>-</u>	(26 000) - (26 000)
Section 28M. Commor services, Vienna		(120 400)	20 000		(20 000)
Common services costs	25 700	<u></u>	25 700	25 700	
Grand total	936 100	-	936 100	684 000	(252 100)

PREPARATORY ACTIVITIES FOR THE CONFERENCE DURING 1982-1983

- 1. Pursuant to decision 5(IV) of the Preparatory Committee, which the General Assembly took note of at its resumed thirty-seventh session, that the Conference secretariat should proceed as far as practicable with the preparations for the Conference in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly, the Conference secretariat has continued and intensified its preparatory activities in conjunction with:
 - (a) Governments;
 - (b) IAEA;
- (c) The United Nations Secretariat, specialized agencies and other organizations in the United Nations system;
- (d) Other international institutions, non-governmental organizations and foundations.
- 2. The main purposes of these contacts were:
 - (a) To explain in detail the purpose and objectives of the Conference;
 - (b) To mobilize and promote active interest in it;
- (c) To help achieve consensus on the unresolved issues affecting the Conference;
- (d) To ensure that, in accordance with the relevant decisions of the General Assembly, comprehensive and well co-ordinated documentary contributions would be prepared to form the indispensable foundation on which a successful conference could rest.
- 3. Besides extensive correspondence with Government representatives and focal points designated by various national authorities to discuss and provide technical input to the Conference documentation, exchanges of views were held in Vienna with all parties concerned, including periodic and detailed briefings of regional groups, to inform Member States on the preparatory work and to review jointly issues of common interest. The Secretary-General of the Conference also met with national authorities in Belgrade, Bonn, London and Paris. In April 1983, he was in Havana and represented the Secretary-General of the United Nations at the second meeting of the Co-ordinating Countries on Peaceful Uses of Nuclear Energy of the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries, where the Conference was one of the items on the agenda. The fourth session of the Preparatory Committee for the Conference, which was held in New York in the spring of 1983, and the General Conference of IAEA, convened in Vienna last October, also provided useful opportunities for contacts and consultations with high-level representatives of Member States.

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- In respect of national input to documentation for the Conference, contacts have been made since 1982 to ensure that Governments would contribute to the successful preparation of the Conference by making available, in accordance with paragraph 9 of General Assembly resolution 36/78 of 9 December 1981, information on their scientific and technological achievements and practical experience concerning the peaceful uses of nuclear energy. In addition, information was requested on national priorities and projected needs and activities relating to peaceful uses of nuclear energy. The initial responses to the above-mentioned requests were mostly of a general nature and consisted often of published reports or brochures not specifically oriented towards the objectives of the Conference. A few replies merely drew attention to the documentation already submitted to the Conference on Nuclear Power Experience which had been convened by IAEA in September 1982. In June 1983, the Secretary-General of the Conference therefore addressed a follow-up letter to all Governments, asking for material which would go beyond a mere description of the existing stage of development concerning the applications of nuclear energy at the national level. In fact, to be of maximum value, the material should also include some information, ideas or suggestions specifically aimed at fostering international co-operation in this field. So far, approximately 30 countries have answered. While some of them have provided relevant insights on national developments and future priorities in the nuclear field, additional guidance will be provided to assist Governments in focusing their input towards the specific objectives of the Conference. Thus, taking into account informal requests in that sense received from some representatives, as well as the contents of the answers received so far, a broad questionnaire which has been prepared for that purpose will be sent by the Conference secretariat to all Governments early in 1984. The replies will be analysed and processed, in order to provide a more comprehensive picture of three main areas of concern:
- (a) National activities and future plans for the utilization of nuclear energy for nuclear power production and for other peaceful applications of nuclear science and technology in food and agriculture, health and medicine, hydrology, geophysics etc.;
- (b) Constraints, if any, encountered in the development and application of nuclear energy for peaceful purposes with regard to financing, availability of manpower, assurances of supplies, safety and environment etc.;
- (c) Present and potential role of Governments in bilateral or multilateral co-operation programmes and views on the most practical and effective ways and means to promote international co-operation.
- It is expected that, through a synoptic presentation of the answers given to identical questions by different countries, regional and stage-of-development problems, priorities and expectations will emerge.
- 5. In paragraph 11 of resolution 36/78, the General Assembly invited IAEA to fulfil its appropriate role within the scope of its responsibilities at all stages of preparation of the Conference and during the Conference itself by contributing to the discussion of relevant issues, by providing technical data and documentation

as needed, particularly in relation to the progress of the work of the Committee on Assurances of Supply. Further, in paragraph 7 of resolution 37/167, the General Assembly invited IAEA to contribute to the Conference in terms of paragraph 3 of resolution 32/50 and paragraph 11 of resolution 36/78, in accordance with its responsibilities under its statute. During 1983, close and continuous contacts have been maintained with the Agency at the working and senior levels. IAEA is expected to submit to the Conference a paper on its responsibilities relating to safequards and non-proliferation under the statute and Treaties as well as several other reports containing information on the status of development in each major area of peaceful application of nuclear energy and on the role and performance of the Agency as a vehicle for international co-operation in the peaceful uses of nuclear energy. The Agency is also providing, on a regular basis, information on the ongoing work of its Committee on Assurances of Supply, which, as mentioned above, is dealing with a number of matters closely linked to the concerns of the Conference. A summary of the International Conference on Nuclear Power Experience has already been submitted to the Conference secretariat, and papers on nuclear waste management and on the Regional Co-operative Agreement for research, development and training related to nuclear science and technology in the Asia and Pacific region are about to be finalized.

- By paragraph 12 of resolution 36/78, the General Assembly invited specialized agencies and other relevant organizations in the United Nations system to contribute effectively to the preparations for the Conference by, inter alia, making available studies, reports and other appropriate documents concerning the applications of the peaceful uses of nuclear energy as well as the results and future prospects of such applications. To date, contributors from the Secretariat of the United Nations include the Department of International Economic and Social Affairs, which is reviewing co-operation related to energy investment and financing requirements of developing countries and the role of nuclear power in meeting energy and electric power needs for economic and social development; the Department of Technical Co-operation for Development, on the role of nuclear energy in national energy planning; the Department for Disarmament Affairs, whose input will focus mainly on the current situation in the field of arms limitation and disarmament relevant to international co-operation in the peaceful uses of nuclear energy; the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, on investment financing, economic and developmental aspects of the transfer of technology, and trade; the United Nations Industrial Development Organization on nuclear power and industrialization, with special reference to interaction and interdependence between industry and nuclear power; and the United Nations Environment Programme, which will contribute material on the environmental impact of the production and uses of nuclear energy.
- 7. The United Nations Development Programme has provided an overview of activities within the framework of UNDP-financed programmes of assistance to developing countries specifically aimed towards the peaceful uses and development of nuclear energy. The International Labour Organisation will deal with employment and training and the protection of workers against ionizing radiation. The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations will submit a joint contribution with IAEA on the work of the FAO/IAEA Division of Isotopes and Radiation Applications of Atomic Energy for Food and Agricultural Development, while the

United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization is concentrating mainly on education and training of scientists, engineers and technicians as well as relevant aspects of research in nuclear physics. The World Health Organization will discuss improvements in nuclear medical services, and the International Maritime Organization will deal with safety requirements for nuclear merchant ships.

- 8. Outlines of the above input to the Conference documentation proposed by IAEA, the specialized agencies and other relevant organizations in the United Nations common system have been submitted to the Preparatory Committee for its consideration and will be periodically reviewed and updated. Advantage was taken of the last two sessions of the Preparatory Committee to hold informal inter-agency consultations on a broad range of issues concerning the Conference and to ensure, inter alia, that contributions will cover all main areas of interest and will be relevant to the Conference and that duplication will be avoided. The Secretary-General of the Conference also reviewed these matters with a number of executive heads of the specialized agencies. This consultative process and joint effort will continue in the next biennium during the sessions of the Preparatory Committee and at ad noc inter-agency meetings to be convened as appropriate in due course.
- 9. Pursuant to paragrah 2 of General Assembly resolution 37/167, regional efforts and activities will have an essential role in the substantive preparations for the Conference and will make an important contribution in this area. Since the regional commissions are better placed to study and evaluate the specific needs and expectations of the different geographical regions, co-ordination between the Conference secretariat and the regional commissions has been particularly intense. Consequently, the Secretary-General of the Conference met the executive secretaries of the regional commissions in Geneva during the second regular session of the Economic and Social Council to review with them regional preparatory activities. A preliminary study of the possible role of nuclear energy in electric power developments in developing ESCAP countries was submitted by ESCAP to the fourth session of the Preparatory Committee. ESCAP, ECLA, ECA and ECWA, in consultation with the Conference secretariat, have started the preparation of studies on regional experiences, problems and priorities in the nuclear field. Additional consultancy funds were made available by the Conference secretariat to ECLA to cover fully its consultancy requirements for 1983. The first set of reports from ECLA is expected to be ready by the end of December 1983.
- 10. The material and studies thus prepared would constitute the basic foundation for regional preparations and would be considered at regional expert group meetings. These meetings, to be convened, would bring together, at the headquarters of the regional commissions, experts in the field who, serving in their individual capacity, would review and present situation and future perspectives of the peaceful uses of nuclear energy in the light of the specific needs and potential capacity of each region to meet those needs and the scope for regional and interregional co-operation and would be expected to make suggestions regarding practical measures to promote such co-operation.
- 11. In the case of the meeting of experts from the European region, however, it is envisaged that this meeting will be convened by the Conference secretariat in Vienna, unless a more rational pattern of the work programme can be achieved by holding this meeting at Geneva.

- 12. The Secretary-General of the Conference has also established personal contacts with the heads of a number of other international institutions, such as the Nuclear Energy Agency of OECD, the International Centre for Theoretical Physics and the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis, which are likely contributors to the Conference. Extensive correspondence and periodic briefings have been undertaken with non-governmental organizations, whose representatives were addressed by the Secretary-General of the Conference in New York last April, with foundations which can also make very useful contributions and organize symposia and exhibitions on subjects relevant to the Conference, and with scientific experts and scholars, in order to highlight the goals and purposes of the Conference and to generate the widest possible support for it.
- 13. The Preparatory Committee for the Conference has been and will continue to be informed periodically on the preparatory work being carried out in the various spheres of activity mentioned above, and the documentation and proposals emanating from it would be subject to overall review by the Committee prior to the holding of the Conference.
- 14. It is expected that the Preparatory Committee, at its fifth session in 1984, will consider, among other things, the convening of a meeting of eminent international specialists who, in their individual capacity, will discuss the issues relevant to the Conference and suggest ways and means of fostering international co-operation. To be of maximum value, this meeting would need to be convened approximately six months before the Conference is held.

Annex II

REGIONAL MEETING OF EXPERTS FOR THE UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE FOR THE PROMOTION OF INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION IN THE PEACEFUL USES OF NUCLEAR ENERGY (1984)

		Cos	ts
		\$	\$
A.	Countries of Asia and Pacific region		
	Pre-session documentation		
	(24,750 words, C,E,F,R)	40 500	
	Meetings servicing		
	(Interpretation, C,E,F,R)	24 900	
	In-session documentation		
	(8,000 words, C,E,F,R)	11 500	
	Post-session documentation		
	(9,900 words, C,E,F,R)	16 000	
	Travel of DCS staff	<u>122 600</u>	215 500
В.	Countries of the Latin American region		
	Pre-session documentation		
	(24,750 words, E,F,S)	30 000	
	Meetings servicing		
	(Interpretation, E,F,S)	21 900	
	In-session documentation		
	(10,000 words, E,F,S)	10 400	
	Post-session documentation		
	(9,900 words, E,F,S)	12 200	
		65.000	144 5
	Travel of DCS staff	65 800	140 300

	Cos	ts
C. Countries of the African region	\$	\$
Pre-session documentation (24,750 words, A,E,F)	29 900	
Meetings servicing (Interpretation, A,E,F)	15 300	
<pre>In-session documentation (8,250 words, A,E,F)</pre>	9 000	
Post-session documentation (9,900 words, A,E,F)	12 100	
Travel of DCS staff	69 200	135 500
D. Countries of Western Asian region		
Pre-session documentation (24,750 words, A,E,F)	29 900	
Meetings servicing (Interpretation, A,E,F)	15 300	
<pre>In-session documentation (8,250 words, A,E,F)</pre>	9 000	
Post-session documentation (9,900 words, A,E,F)	12 100	
Travel of DCS staff	68 300	134 600
E. Countries of the European region		
Pre-session documentation (24,750 words, E,F,R)	30 000	
Meetings servicing (Interpretation, E,F,R)	22 800	
<pre>In-session documentation (8,250 words, E,F,R)</pre>	11 800	
Post-session documentation (9,900 words, E,F,R)	12 200	
Requirements of the Office of General Services	3 900	80 700
Total		706 600

Annex III

PREPARATORY COMMITTEE FOR THE UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE FOR THE PROMOTION OF INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION IN THE PEACEFUL USES OF NUCLEAR ENERGY

(Fitth session, Vienna, 1984)

	\$
Pre-session documentation	
(24,750 words, A,C,E,F,R,S, of which 9,900 words require no translation)	53 400
Meeting servicing	
(Interpretation, A,C,E,F,R,S)	102 900
In-session documentation	
(24,750 words, A,C,E,F,R,S	64 700
Post-session documentation	
(10,560 words, A,C,E,F,R,S)	27 100
Subtotal	248 100
Requirements of the Office of General Services	8 200
Total	256 300
