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IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECLARATION OF THE INDIAN OCEAN AS A ZONE OF
PEACE: REPORT OF THE AD HOC COMMITTEE ON THE INDIAN OCEAN

Programme budget implications of the draft resolution
contained in document A/41/29

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

A. Requests contained in the draft resolution

1. Under the terms of operative paragraphs 10, 11 and 15 of the draft resolution contained in document A/41/29, the General Assembly would:

- (a) Renew the mandate of the Ad Hoc Committee as defined in the relevant resolutions and request the Committee to intensify its work with regard to the implementation of its mandate;
- (b) Request the Ad Hoc Committee to hold two preparatory sessions in 1987 each of a two weeks' duration for completion of preparatory work;
- (c) Request the Secretary-General to continue to render all necessary assistance to the Ad Hoc Committee, including the provision of summary records, in recognition of its preparatory function.

B. Relationship of proposed requests to the approved
programme of work

2. The activities proposed fall under chapter 1, Political and Security Council Affairs Activities, programme 2, Activities of the Department for Disarmament Affairs, subprogramme 1, Deliberation and negotiation of the medium-term plan for the period 1984-1989. It should also be recalled that annually, since 1971, the General Assembly has requested the Ad Hoc Committee to continue its activities, most recently under Assembly resolution 40/153 of 16 December 1985.

C. Activities by which the proposed requests would be implemented

3. Should the General Assembly adopt the draft resolution, the Secretary-General would undertake the necessary preparations for and servicing of two sessions of the Ad Hoc Committee in 1987.

D. Modifications required in the approved programme of work

4. The substantive servicing of the Ad Hoc Committee on the Indian Ocean in 1987 by the Secretariat has been approved as an output under programme element 1.4 of subprogramme 1, Deliberation and negotiation of section 2B of the programme budget for the biennium 1986-1987. Accordingly, no modification of the approved programme of work for the biennium would be required.

E. Additional requirements at full cost

5. Should the General Assembly decide to adopt the draft resolution contained in document A/41/29, it is assumed that the Ad Hoc Committee would hold two sessions in 1987 in New York, the first from 30 March to 10 April and the second from 15 to 26 June. The meetings would require the provision of interpretation in the six languages of the General Assembly; translation of pre-session documentation of 30 pages (6 documents), in-session documentation of 75 pages (15 documents) and post-session documentation of 65 pages (4 documents), to be issued in the six languages of the General Assembly; and the provision of summary records in the six languages of the General Assembly. The related full cost of provision of conference servicing is estimated at \$432,200 for the first session and \$499,900 for the second session of the Ad Hoc Committee, as follows:

	<u>First session</u>	<u>Second session</u>
	\$	\$
I. <u>Pre-session documentation</u>		
(10 pages, 2 documents: A,C,E,F,R,S)	11 100	-
(20 pages, 4 documents: A,C,E,F,R,S)	-	24 200
II. <u>Meeting servicing</u>		
(Interpretation: A,C,E,F,R,S)	87 800	81 800
III. <u>In-session documentation</u>		
(25 pages, 5 documents: A,C,E,F,R,S)	29 400	-
(50 pages, 10 documents: A,C,E,F,R,S)	-	58 900
IV. <u>Post-session documentation</u>		
(25 pages, 2 documents: A,C,E,F,R,S)	19 500	-
(40 pages, 2 documents: A,C,E,F,R,S)	-	45 600
V. <u>Summary records</u>		
(20 meetings: A,C,E,F,R,S)	259 600	259 600
VI. <u>Requirements of the Office of General Services</u>	23 800	23 800
Total	<u>432 200</u>	<u>499 900</u>

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F. Request for additional appropriation

6. The estimates of conference-servicing costs indicated above are provided on the basis of full costing, i.e., on the assumption that no part of the conference-servicing requirements would be made available from within existing resources. Towards the close of the present session of the General Assembly, a consolidated statement of conference-servicing requirements will be submitted through which net additional resources will be requested in the light of the calendar of conferences for the year 1987 as approved by the General Assembly.
