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High Commissioner's Office for Refugees

Financial implications of draft resolution A proposed by
the Third Committee (A/1682)

Forty-first report of 1950 of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

1. The Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions has considered a report by the Secretary-General (A/C.5/443) on the financial implications of draft resolution A proposed by the Third Committee (A/1682).
2. The estimated expenditure in respect of 1951 for the High Commissioner's Office for Refugees amounts to \$300,000 on the basis of the provisions of paragraph 2 of General Assembly resolution 319 (IV) of 3 December 1949.
3. The proposed provision for established posts includes, inter alia, a post of High Commissioner at the salary level of a Principal Director (A/C.5/443, paragraph 5 (a)). The Advisory Committee makes no comments on the various gradings proposed, except to point out that the grading proposed for the top post represents a departure from the practice followed in respect of other Commissioners of the United Nations, and it doubts whether it is desirable to establish the definitive grades at this stage.
4. The item for contractual printing (\$6,000) is contingent upon the establishment of an advisory committee on refugees, as provided for in the Annex to the proposed resolution (chapter I, paragraph 4). Further savings may arise by reason of the deferred recruitment of staff members for the High Commissioner's Office.

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5. Subject to what is said in paragraphs 3 and 4 above, the Advisory Committee concurs in the allocation of the proposed provision to the various sections of the budget enumerated in paragraph 5 (f) of the report of the Secretary-General (A/C.5/443), and a total appropriation of \$300,000 is accordingly recommended.

6. The salaries of the staff members of the High Commissioner's Office are gross, and the offsetting revenue in respect of contributions under the Staff Assessment Plan is estimated at \$32,000.
