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### PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1982-1983

#### Report of the Fifth Committee

Rapporteur: Mr. Even FONTAINE ORTIZ (Cuba)

1. At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 23 September 1983, the General Assembly decided to include in its agenda the item entitled "Programme budget for the biennium 1982-1983". At its 4th plenary meeting, on the same day, the Assembly decided to allocate the item to the Fifth Committee.

2. The Committee considered this item at its 61st, 69th and 73rd meetings, on 12, 16 and 19 December. It had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the Office of the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator: grants for emergency disaster assistance (A/38/476);

(b) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on training and research: United Nations Institute for Training and Research (A/38/7/Add.20);

(c) Report of the Secretary-General on the programme budget performance of the United Nations for the biennium 1982-1983 (A/C.5/38/49 and Add.1-33) and the related report of the Advisory Committee (A/38/748).

3. At its 61st meeting, on 12 December, the Committee approved, without a vote, an additional appropriation of \$240,000 under section 22 of the programme budget for the biennium 1982-1983.

4. At its 69th meeting, on 16 December, the Committee decided that the advance to UNITAR provided for in draft resolution A/C.2/38/L.47/Rev.1 should be financed by an additional appropriation of \$886,000 under a temporary section 33 of the programme budget for the biennium 1982-1983.

5. At its 73rd meeting, on 19 December, the Committee decided, inter alia, to authorize the Secretary-General to enter into commitments of up to \$1,000,000 for 1984, for the resources required to initiate the activities called for in section II, paragraph 5, of the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee (A/38/702/Add.3, para. 18, draft resolution I), to be drawn from savings in the 1982-1983 programme budget.
6. At the same meeting, the Committee decided, by 58 votes to 13, with 8 abstentions, to recommend that the General Assembly should approve the revised estimates for the biennium 1982-1983 in the amounts shown under the revised estimates columns in tables 1 and 2 of annex I to the Secretary-General's report (A/C.5/38/49), except that the amount for section 22 would be increased by \$240,000, that an amount of \$886,000 would be included under a temporary section 33 entitled "Advance to UNITAR", and that the total for the expenditure sections would be increased accordingly.
7. At the same meeting, the Committee decided, without objection, to request the Rapporteur to reflect the decisions taken by the Committee under agenda item 108 in the form of draft resolutions to be presented for approval by the General Assembly.
8. Comments and observations made in the course of the discussion of this question are reflected in the summary records of the meetings (see A/C.5/38/SR.61, 69 and 73).

#### RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE

9. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolutions:

##### Programme budget for the biennium 1982-1983

##### A

##### Final budget appropriations for the biennium 1982-1983

##### The General Assembly

##### Resolves that for the biennium 1982-1983:

1. The amount of \$US 1,472,961,700 appropriated by its resolution 37/243 A of 21 December 1982 shall be decreased by \$US 3,322,200 as follows:

<u>Expenditure sections</u>	Amount appropriated by resolution 37/243 A	Increase or (decrease)	Final appropriation
PART I. <u>Over-all policy-making, direction and co-ordination</u>		(US dollars)	
1. Overall policy-making, direction and co-ordination ....	38 849 500	(610 300)	38 239 200
TOTAL, PART I	38 849 500	(610 300)	38 239 200
PART II. <u>Political and Security Council affairs; peace- keeping activities</u>			
2A. Political and Security Council affairs; peace-keeping activities .....	76 918 600	(385 300)	76 533 300
2B. Department for Disarmament Affairs .....	7 408 200	(22 100)	7 386 100
TOTAL, PART II	84 326 800	(407 400)	83 919 400
PART III. <u>Political affairs, trusteeship and decolonization</u>			
3. Political affairs, trusteeship and decolonization .....	21 106 700	(1 244 500)	19 862 200
TOTAL, PART III	21 106 700	(1 244 500)	19 862 200
PART IV. <u>Economic, social and humanitarian activities</u>			
4. Policy-making organs (economic and social activities) .....	2 597 500	(67 200)	2 530 300
5A. Office of the Director-General for Development and International Economic Co-operation .....	3 280 500	(49 800)	3 230 700
5B. Centre for Science and Technology for Development .....	3 615 600	20 100	3 635 700

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<u>Expenditure sections</u>	Amount appropriated by resolution 37/243 A	Increase or (decrease)	Final appropriation
6. Department of International Economic and Social Affairs .....	43 669 700	126 000	43 795 700
7. Department of Technical Co- operation for Development .....	15 647 300	913 400	16 560 700
8. Office of Secretariat Services for Economic and Social Matters .	3 200 500	(235 700)	2 964 800
9. Transnational corporations .....	9 000 300	(541 600)	8 458 700
10. Economic Commission for Europe ..	23 749 200	787 100	24 536 300
11. Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific .....	29 155 700	1 088 000	30 243 700
12. Economic Commission for Latin America .....	44 863 000	(443 900)	44 419 100
13. Economic Commission for Africa ..	37 302 500	337 100	37 639 600
14. Economic Commission for Western Asia .....	19 502 500	(1 595 000)	21 097 500
15. United Nations Conference on Trade and Development .....	52 411 700	(547 400)	51 864 300
16. International Trade Centre .....	8 293 700	(140 800)	8 152 900
17. United Nations Industrial Development Organization .....	71 782 400	2 825 500	74 607 900
18. United Nations Environment Programme .....	11 404 600	(416 900)	10 987 700
19. United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (Habitat) .....	9 131 300	(1 482 700)	7 648 600
20. International drug control .....	5 881 000	(287 200)	5 593 800
21. Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees .....	28 939 900	(1 395 300)	27 544 600

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<u>Expenditure sections</u>	Amount appropriated by resolution 37/243 A	Increase or (decrease)	Final appropriation
22. Office of the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator .....	4 856 200	471 800	5 328 000
23. Human rights .....	10 789 600	415 000	11 204 600
24. Regular programme of technical co-operation .....	30 843 900	(414 300)	30 429 600
TOTAL, PART IV	469 918 600	2 556 200	472 474 800
PART V. <u>International justice and law</u>			
25. International Court of Justice .....	8 956 700	461 900	9 418 600
26. Legal activities .....	13 061 800	(338 900)	12 722 900
TOTAL, PART V	22 018 500	123 000	22 141 500
PART VI. <u>Public information</u>			
27. Public information .....	64 635 000	(2 316 800)	62 318 200
TOTAL, PART VI	64 635 000	(2 316 800)	62 318 200
PART VII. <u>Common support services</u>			
28. Administration, management and general services .....	265 778 500	5 721 300	271 499 800
29. Conference and library services .....	245 223 500	(6 942 600)	238 280 900
TOTAL, PART VII	511 002 000	(1 221 330)	509 780 700

<u>Expenditure sections</u>	Amount appropriated by resolution 37/243 A	Increase or (decrease)	Final appropriation
PART VIII. <u>Special expenses</u>			
30. United Nations bond issue ....	17 220 300	(302 000)	16 918 300
TOTAL, PART VIII	17 220 300	(302 000)	16 918 300
31. PART IX. <u>Staff assessment</u> ...	207 802 500	(684 100)	207 118 400
TOTAL, PART IX	207 802 500	(684 100)	207 118 400
PART X. <u>Capital expenditures</u>			
32. Construction, alteration, improvement and major maintenance of premises .....	36 081 800	(101 000)	35 980 800
TOTAL, PART X	36 081 800	(101 000)	35 980 800
PART XI. <u>Special grants</u>			
33. Advance to the United Nations Institute for Training and Research .....	-	886 000	886 000
TOTAL, PART XI	-	886 000	886 000
GRAND TOTAL	<u>1 472 961 700</u>	<u>(3 322 200)</u>	<u>1 469 639 500</u>

2. The Secretary-General shall be authorized to transfer credits between sections of the budget with the concurrence of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;

3. The total net provision made under the various sections of the budget for contractual printing shall be administered as a unit under the direction of the United Nations Publications Board;

4. The appropriations for technical co-operation programmes under section 24 shall be administered in accordance with the Financial Regulations of the United Nations, except that the definition of obligations and the period of validity of obligations shall be subject to the following procedures:

(a) Obligations for personal services established in the current biennium shall be valid for the succeeding biennium, provided that appointments of the

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experts concerned are effected by the end of the current biennium and that the total period to be covered by obligations established for these purposes against the resources of the current biennium shall not exceed twenty-four work-months;

(b) Obligations established in the current biennium for fellowships shall remain valid until liquidated, provided that the fellow has been nominated by the requesting Government and accepted by the Organization and that a formal letter of award has been issued to the requesting Governments;

(c) Obligations in respect of contracts or purchase orders for supplies or equipment recorded in the current biennium will remain valid until payment is effected to the contractor or vendor, unless they are cancelled;

5. In addition to the appropriations voted under paragraph 1 above, an amount of \$19,000 is appropriated for each year of the biennium 1982-1983 from the accumulated income of the Library Endowment Fund for the purchase of books, periodicals, maps and library equipment and for such other expenses of the Library at the Palais des Nations as are in accordance with the objects and provisions of the endowment;

6. The Secretary-General shall be authorized to enter into commitments of up to \$1,000,000 in 1984, to be drawn from the savings reported in respect of the biennium 1982-1983, for the resources required to initiate the activities called for in section II, paragraph 5, of resolution 38/ ; /

B

Final income estimates for the biennium 1982-1983

The General Assembly

Resolves that for the biennium 1982-1983:

The estimates of income other than assessments on Member States in the amount of \$US 257,059,900 approved by its resolution 37/243 B of 21 December 1982 shall be decreased by \$US 374,200 as follows:

<u>Income section</u>	Amount approved by resolution 37/243 B	Increase or (decrease)	Final approved estimates
		(US dollars)	
PART I. <u>Income from staff assessment</u>			
1. Income from staff assessment .....	<u>211 123 800</u>	<u>(978 700)</u>	<u>210 145 100</u>
TOTAL, PART I	<u>211 123 800</u>	<u>(978 700)</u>	<u>210 145 100</u>
PART II. <u>Other income</u>			
2. General income .....	32 194 500	3 464 400	35 658 900
3. Revenue-producing activities .....	<u>13 741 600</u>	<u>(2 859 900)</u>	<u>10 881 700</u>
TOTAL, PART II	<u>45 936 100</u>	<u>604 500</u>	<u>46 540 600</u>
GRAND TOTAL	<u>257 059 900</u>	<u>(374 200)</u>	<u>256 685 700</u>

2. The income from staff assessment shall be credited to the Tax Equalization Fund in accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955;

3. Direct expenses of the United Nations Postal Administration, services to visitors, catering and related services, garage operations, television services and the sale of publications, not provided for under the budget appropriations, shall be charged against the income derived from those activities.

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