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QUESTION OF PALESTINE

PROPOSED PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1984-1985

Administrative and financial implications of draft resolutions  
A/38/L.37, A/38/L.38 and A/38/L.40

Report of the Fifth Committee

Rapporteur: Mr. Even FONTAINE ORTIZ (Cuba)

1. At its 62nd meeting, on 13 December 1983, the Fifth Committee, pursuant to rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, considered the statement by the Secretary-General (A/C.5/38/75) on the administrative and financial implications of draft resolutions A/38/L.37, A/38/L.38 and A/38/L.40 and the observations of the Committee on Conferences (A/C.5/38/75/Add.1). The recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions were presented orally by its Chairman.

2. Statements and comments made in the course of the Committee's consideration of this item are reflected in the relevant summary record (A/C.5/38/SR.62).

DECISION OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE

3. The Fifth Committee decided, by a recorded vote of 68 to 6, with 13 abstentions, to inform the General Assembly that, should it adopt draft resolutions A/38/L.37 and A/38/L.40, additional appropriations totalling \$1,288,000 would be required under the programme budget for the biennium 1984-1985, apportioned as follows:

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Section 1 .....	191 800
Section 27 .....	523 400
Section 28 .....	96 200
Section 29 .....	476 600

An additional appropriation of \$64,800 would also be required under section 31 (Staff assessment), which would be offset by an increase of the same magnitude in the estimates of income under income section 1 (Income from staff assessment). Conference-servicing requirements would arise, which are estimated, on a full-cost basis, at \$3,370,400. The actual additional appropriations that might be required in that respect would be considered in the context of the consolidated statement of conference-servicing requirements to be submitted at a later stage during the current session.

4. The voting was as follows:

In favour: Afghanistan, Argentina, Bhutan, Botswana, Brazil, Burma, Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic, Chile, China, Congo, Cuba, Czechoslovakia, Democratic Yemen, Ecuador, Egypt, Finland, Gabon, German Democratic Republic, Ghana, Greece, Hungary, Indonesia, Iraq, Kenya, Kuwait, Lebanon, Lesotho, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Malaysia, Maldives, Mali, Malta, Mexico, Mongolia, Morocco, Mozambique, Nigeria, Oman, Pakistan, Panama, Philippines, Poland, Qatar, Romania, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Singapore, Somalia, Spain, Sri Lanka, Swaziland, Sweden, Syrian Arab Republic, Thailand, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Arab Emirates, United Republic of Cameroon, Upper Volta, Uruguay, Venezuela, Yemen, Yugoslavia, Zambia.

Against: Australia, Canada, Germany, Federal Republic of, Israel, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

Abstaining: Austria, Belgium, Colombia, Denmark, France, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal.

5. The adoption of draft resolution A/38/L.38 would not require additional appropriations at this stage.

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