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Administrative and financial implications of decision 5 (II) of the  
Preparatory Committee of the Conference (A/32/42, vol. II, part IV)  
and the draft resolution contained in document A/C.2/32/L.68

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

1. In paragraph 32 of document A/C.5/32/75, it was indicated that the total cost of the information activities in 1977 and 1978 for the Conference preparatory period was estimated at \$328,000 with \$212,400 estimated initially for 1977 and \$115,600 for 1978. However, as a result of a subsequent recommendation to postpone the Conference, the Preparatory Committee was informed inter alia in document A/CONF.79/PC/8/Add.1 that the rescheduling of certain pre-Conference information activities would be required which would involve the transfer of \$73,400 approved for 1977 to 1978.

2. Recent developments indicate, however, that a further reduction in expenditure in the amount of \$59,200 may be anticipated in 1977 under the pre-Conference information programme. Of this amount \$31,600 is attributable to the fact that work on the active design and the first construction of the exhibition framework and materials had to be delayed because of the non-receipt of the blueprints of the exhibition space on which the work would be based. Under the regional encounters programme it was originally envisaged that such encounters would be organized by UNDP or CESI with the participation of key information disseminators of the third world and representatives of the media. In view of the interest shown by certain professional, technical and voluntary associations and in view of the fact that the implementation of some aspects of TCDC would depend on their continued participation, it was decided to involve some of these organizations more deeply in the planning process for the encounters. Since the active participation of these organizations with the encounters would depend on their own calendar of

meetings it was not possible to convene the meeting for the African region which was tentatively scheduled for December 1977 thus resulting in a saving of \$27,600 for the biennium 1976-1977. In order to accommodate these activities in 1978 an additional appropriation of \$59,200 would be required in the biennium 1978-1979 which will be offset by a surrender of an equal amount at the final accounts for 1976-1977.

3. In paragraph 38 of document A/C.5/32/75 it was indicated that should the General Assembly approve the draft resolution contained in A/C.2/32/L.68, an appropriation of \$732,300 would be required under section 4 of the budget at this time, with the balance of \$962,400 for conference services costs being subject to review when the over-all pattern of conferences comes up for consideration before the close of the present session of the General Assembly.

4. Therefore, after taking into account the additional 1978 requirements of \$59,200 mentioned in paragraph 2 above, a total appropriation of \$791,500 would be required under section 4 of the budget at this time should the General Assembly approve the draft resolution contained in document A/C.2/32/L.68.

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