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### BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 1959

#### Revised estimate for section 1 resulting from decisions of the Trusteeship Council

#### Fifth report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions to the thirteenth session of the General Assembly

1. The initial budget estimates for 1959 submitted by the Secretary-General (A/3825)<sup>1/</sup> included, in chapter IV of section 1, an amount of \$61,500 in respect of a Visiting Mission to the Trust Territories in the Pacific. Following the decision of the Trusteeship Council at its 933rd meeting to despatch two Visiting Missions to these territories in 1959, one to Western Samoa and the other to Nauru, New Guinea and the Pacific Islands, the Secretary-General has revised the estimate to \$77,500 which, together with the \$2,000 already entered for 1959 expenses of the 1958 Visiting Mission to the Cameroons, brings the total estimates under section 1, chapter IV, to \$79,500.
2. The Advisory Committee understands that the initial estimate of \$61,500 for a single mission to all the territories in question was based on a complex itinerary starting with Western Samoa rather than ending with that territory as on previous missions to the area. Under the proposed arrangements for two missions, the estimated cost of \$77,500 is made up of some \$53,000 for the mission to Nauru, New Guinea and the Pacific Islands and of about \$24,500 for the mission to Western Samoa. The higher cost of the former mission is due to the substantial charges (about \$20,000) involved in chartering aeroplanes for internal and inter-island travel in these territories, in addition to the larger number of territories covered by the mission.

1/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirteenth Session, Supplement No. 5.

3. The Advisory Committee agrees that the decision of the Trusteeship Council cited in paragraph 1 above will give rise to an expenditure estimated at \$77,500, or \$16,000 more than the amount included in the Secretary-General's initial estimates. The Committee accordingly recommends that the estimate under section 1 which was included in its budget report (A/3860, paragraph 77)<sup>2/</sup> should be increased to \$747,700.

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<sup>2/</sup> Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirteenth Session, Supplement No. 5.