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> SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL AND TRAINING PROGRAMMES FOR SOUTH WEST AFRICA

SPECIAL TRAINING PROGRAMME FOR TERRITORIES UNDER PORTUGUESE ALMINISTRATION

QUESTION OF THE CONSOLIDATION AND INTEGRATION OF THE SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL AND TRAINING PROGRAMMES FOR SOUTH WEST AFRICA, THE SPECIAL TRAINING PROGRAMMES FOR TERRITORIES UNDER PORTUGUESE ALMINISTRATION AND THE EDUCATIONAL AND TRAINING PROGRAMME FOR SOUTH AFRICANS

BUIGET ESTIMATES FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 1968

Administrative and financial implications of the draft resolution contained in the report of the Fourth Committee (A/7010, para. 8)

Report of the Fifth Committee

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1. At its 1229th meeting, held on 18 December 1967, the Fifth Committee considered a report of the Secretary-General (A/C.5/1166) and an oral statement by the Chairman of the Advisory Committee on the administrative and financial implications of the draft resolution contained in the report of the Fourth Committee (A/7010, para. 8). 2. At its 1755th meeting on 16 December 1967, the Fourth Committee recommended the adoption of the above-mentioned draft resolution, by which the General Assembly would decide, <u>inter alia</u>, to integrate the special educational and training programmes for South West Africa and for Territories under Portuguese administration and the educational and training programme for South Africans. This integrated programme would be financed from a trust fund made up of voluntary contributions from Member States; the trust fund would be used, at least initially, to finance

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only the operational costs of the programme. The target level for the trust fund would be set at \$3 million for the three-year period 1968-1970. The Assembly would further decide that, as a transitional measure, provision should be made under Section 12 of the regular budget for the year 1968 to ensure the continuity of the programme pending the receipt of adequate voluntary contributions. 3. In his report on the question of the consolidation and integration of the three training programmes (A/6890), the Secretary-General advised the General Assembly of the steps he had taken as of 1 June 1967 to integrate the administration of these programmes. He further informed the General Assembly that, pending a decision by the Assembly on the question of consolidation and integration of the programmes themselves, only a pro memoria entry had been made in the budget estimates for 1968 under Section 12 for the operational costs of the two programmes formerly financed thereunder. However, provision had been included under Section 3 of the budget estimates for the related administrative costs. 4. The Secretary-General understands that the intention of the draft resolution would be that he transfer to the new trust fund the resources currently available in the Trust Fund for the Education and Training of South Africans, and that the appropriation to be made under Section 12 of the 1968 budget would be similarly transferred as a subvention to the new trust fund. As the regular budget has contained since 1964 provisions totalling \$100,000 per year for the Special Educational and Training Programmes for South West Africa and for the Special Training Programme for Territories under Portuguese administration, the Secretary-General would consider it appropriate for the provision for 1968 to be set at the same level.

5. In paragraphs 5 and 6 of the draft resolution, the General Assembly would request the Secretary-General to include in the integrated programme the granting of subventions to educational and training institutions in Africa, in order to enable such institutions to provide places for persons coming under the Programme. The Secretary-General would grant these subventions on the advice of a committee of seven members designated by Governments of Member States to be nominated by the President of the General Assembly. Since the Committee would be composed of Government representatives, the United Nations, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 1798 (XVII), would not be liable for the payment of travel, subsistence

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or fees for the members of the Committee. It is assumed that the committee would meet at United Nations Headquarters and would require only minimal conference servicing, which could be provided at no extra cost.

6. The Advisory Committee concurred in the suggestion that, should the General Assembly adopt the draft resolution recommended by the Fourth Committee, a sum of \$100,000 should be appropriated under Section 12 of the 1968 budget towards the consolidated training programme.

7. Two delegations reserved their position on the proposed expenditure.

8. The Fifth Committee decided, without objection, to inform the General Assembly that, should it adopt the draft resolution recommended by the Fourth Committee, an additional appropriation of \$100,000 under Section 12 of the 1968 budget would be required.