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QUESTION OF SOUTH WEST AFRICA: ADVISORY OPINION
ON THE INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE

Financial implications of draft resolution I proposed by the
Fourth Committee (A/1643)

Report of the Fifth Committee

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1. In accordance with rule 152 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly and with the request of the President in his letter of 6 December 1950 to the Chairman (A/C.5/435), the Fifth Committee, at its 278th meeting on 11 December 1950, considered the financial implications of draft resolution I proposed by the Fourth Committee on the question of South West Africa (A/1643).
2. The Fifth Committee had before it a report of the Secretary-General (A/C.5/439), in which he estimated that, on the assumption that the Commission would meet at Lake Success in the first part of 1951 for a period of about three weeks, additional provision would need to be made under section 1 of the budget estimates for 1951 in the amount of \$16,330, and under section 25 (Official Records) in the amount of \$4,510.
3. The Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, in its thirty-fourth report of 1950 (A/1651), noted that the members of the proposed Commission for South West Africa envisaged under paragraph 4 of draft resolution I proposed by the Fourth Committee, would be serving not in a personal capacity, but rather as representatives nominated by Governments, and accordingly, in conformity with General Assembly resolution 231 (III), had expressed the opinion that no justification existed for payment of subsistence allowance. The Advisory Committee further considered that the session of the Commission might conveniently

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be held at the permanent Headquarters instead of at Lake Success, with a consequent saving on the item for local transportation. On the basis of these observations, it recommended approval of an appropriation of \$14,000, representing a reduction of \$6,840 on the estimates submitted by the Secretary-General.

4. The Fifth Committee, approved, without objection, the Advisory Committee's recommendations, and therefore decided to inform the General Assembly that adoption of draft resolution I proposed by the Fourth Committee would involve an additional appropriation under sections 1 and 25 of the 1951 budget in the total amount of \$14,000.
