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I. INTRODUCTION

1. At its forty-first session, the General Assembly adopted resolution 41/179 A of 5 December 1986 on the financing of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL). In section IV of that resolution, the Assembly authorized the Secretary-General to enter into commitments for the operation of UNIFIL at a rate not to exceed \$12,125,000 gross (\$11,922,000 net) per month for the 12-month period beginning 19 January 1987, should the Security Council decide to continue the Force beyond the period of six months authorized under its resolution 586 (1986) of 18 July 1986.

2. On 15 January 1987, the Security Council, by its resolution 594 (1987), extended the mandate of UNIFIL for a further interim period from 19 January to 31 July 1987.

3. On 31 July 1987, the Security Council, by its resolution 599 (1987), extended the mandate of UNIFIL for an additional interim period of six months, until 31 January 1988.

II. STATUS OF CONTRIBUTIONS

4. As at 30 September 1987, contributions totalling \$1,071.9 million had been received for the operation of UNIFIL out of \$1,410.6 million apportioned among Member States for the periods from the inception of the Force on 19 March 1978 to 31 January 1988. Of the balance due (\$338.7 million), only \$94.6 million may be considered collectible at this time, which leaves a shortfall of \$244.1 million, including \$19.6 million transferred to a special account in accordance with General Assembly resolution 36/116 A of 10 December 1981.

5. The table below shows the status of contributions.

Status of contributions for UNIFIL as at 30 September 1987

(Millions of United States dollars)

	19 March 1978 to 31 January 1988
Amounts appropriated	1 276.6
Additional commitment authority	145.5
Less: Applied credits	<u>(11.5)</u>
Amounts apportioned	1 410.6
Payments received	<u>(1 071.9)</u>
Balance due	338.7
Estimated collectible balance	<u>(94.6)</u>
Estimated shortfall	<u>244.1</u>

6. The General Assembly, in section V, paragraph 1, of its resolution 41/179 A, renewed its invitation to Member States to make voluntary contributions to UNIFIL both in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General. No voluntary contributions have been received in response to that appeal.

7. The General Assembly, in section V, paragraph 2, of its resolution 41/179 A, invited Member States to make voluntary contributions in cash to the Suspense Account established in accordance with its resolution 34/9 D of 17 December 1979. As at 30 September 1987, voluntary contributions totalling \$34,356 had been received from Governments of Member States.

8. As indicated in paragraph 4 above, the UNIFIL Special Account had an estimated shortfall of \$244.1 million as at 30 September 1987. As a consequence, UNIFIL is unable to meet its obligations on a current basis, particularly those due to the troop-contributing countries, payments to which have never been made on a current and full basis in accordance with rates established by the General Assembly. The troop-contributing countries have continued to convey to the Secretary-General their very serious concern about this situation, which places a heavy burden on their Governments. So far, the Suspense Account established in accordance with General Assembly resolution 34/9 D has not achieved its purpose of alleviating this financial burden on the troop contributors. As mentioned in paragraph 7 above, the voluntary contributions credited to the Suspense Account amount to only \$34,356.

III. COMMITMENTS ENTERED INTO FOR THE MANDATE PERIODS FROM 19 JANUARY 1987 TO 31 JANUARY 1988

9. It is recalled that in section IV of its resolution 41/179 A, the General Assembly authorized the Secretary-General to enter into commitments for the operation of UNIFIL, at a rate not to exceed \$12,125,000 gross (\$11,922,000 net) per month for the 12-month period ending 18 January 1988, subject to the extension of the Force's mandate by the Security Council. By its resolutions 594 (1987) and 599 (1987), the Council extended the mandate of UNIFIL for periods through 31 January 1988, totalling 12 months and 13 days.

10. Commitments entered into for UNIFIL for the mandate periods from 19 January 1987 to 31 January 1988 were limited to the overall commitment authorized in section IV of General Assembly resolution 41/179 A and amounted to \$145,500,000 gross (\$143,064,000 net). A breakdown of these commitments will be found in the statement in annex I.

IV. FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION

11. In accordance with General Assembly decision 34/439 of 17 December 1979, the Special Account for UNIFIL is to be maintained for the periods of its mandates subsequent to 18 January 1979. The UNIFIL Special Account has thus been maintained on the basis of mandate periods, which have ranged from one to six months' duration. Such abbreviated financial periods have posed and continue to pose

certain administrative difficulties in terms of the strict application of financial regulation 4.2 and the smooth operation of the Force. This is particularly relevant with regard to the international procurement of goods and services.

12. It should also be noted that the report of the Secretary-General to the General Assembly at its forty-first session on the financing of UNIFIL (A/41/783 and Corr.1) covered a 12-month period. In addition, the authorization given to the Secretary-General to enter into commitments for the operation of UNIFIL was for a period of 12 months.

13. Consequently, in the interest of administrative efficiency, the Secretary-General proposes that, effective from 1 February 1988, the special financial period of UNIFIL be for periods of 12 calendar months, that is, from 1 February of one year to 31 January of the next year.

V. COST ESTIMATE FOR THE TWELVE-MONTH PERIOD BEGINNING 1 FEBRUARY 1988

14. The costs of UNIFIL for the 12-month period beginning 1 February 1988 are estimated at \$141,180,000 gross (\$139,416,000 net), based on an average Force strength of 5,850 troops. The estimate is summarized in annex I and supplementary information thereon is provided in annex II.

15. In the event that future decisions of the Security Council regarding the status of the Force entail additional costs for UNIFIL over the limit and during the period of the authorization and/or apportionment requested in paragraph 16 below, the necessary additional commitment authorization will be sought at that time from the General Assembly if it is then in regular session, or if it is not, by initial recourse to the Assembly resolution on unforeseen and extraordinary expenses for the biennium 1988-1989 with the prior concurrence of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions. In the latter case, should the amounts required exceed the financial limit stipulated under that resolution, it would be necessary to convene a special session of the General Assembly to consider the matter.

VI. ACTION TO BE TAKEN BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT ITS FORTY-SECOND SESSION

16. The actions that would appear to be required in connection with the past and future financing of UNIFIL are as follows:

(a) The appropriation, for the mandate periods from 19 January 1987 to 31 January 1988, of an amount of \$145,500,000 gross (\$143,064,000 net) authorized and apportioned under the terms of section IV of General Assembly resolution 41/179 A;

(b) With regard to mandate periods beyond 31 January 1988, provision, by means of commitment authorization as appropriate, for meeting the requirements of the Force and for the apportionment of such amounts, should the Security Council decide to renew the mandate of UNIFIL beyond 31 January 1988;

(c) A decision concerning the Secretary-General's proposal relating to the special financial period of UNIFIL (see para. 13 above).

VII. OBSERVATIONS

17. The non-payment by certain Member States of their assessed contributions has led to an accumulated shortfall in the UNIFIL Special Account. Consequently, as mentioned in the past, the Organization continues to fall behind in its reimbursement of amounts due to the troop-contributing Governments for the expenditure that they have incurred as a result of their participation in UNIFIL. The Secretary-General is extremely concerned about this state of affairs, both as a matter of principle and for practical reasons. The present shortfall has placed an unfair and increasingly heavy burden on the troop-contributing countries, particularly on the less wealthy ones; if not remedied, it may jeopardize the functioning of the operation. Therefore, the Secretary-General appeals in the strongest terms to all Member States to pay their assessments without delay. In view of the urgency of this matter, the Secretary-General also appeals to the Governments that are in a position to do so to consider making available, as a practical measure, voluntary contributions to the UNIFIL Suspense Account, which was set up by the General Assembly to facilitate the reimbursement of Governments contributing troops, equipment and supplies to UNIFIL.

ANNEX I

United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon

Disbursements, obligations and commitments for the period from
19 January 1987 to 31 January 1988 and cost estimate for the
period from 1 February 1988 to 31 January 1989

(Thousands of United States dollars rounded)

	<u>19 Jan. 1987 to</u> <u>31 Jan. 1988</u> <u>(12 months and</u> <u>13 days): revised</u> <u>apportionment</u>	<u>1 Feb. 1988 to</u> <u>31 Jan. 1989</u> <u>(12 months):</u> <u>cost estimate</u>
1. <u>Local area and support costs</u>		
(a) United Nations daily allowance to troops	2 780	2 754
(b) Salaries and related costs of staff	16 399	14 209
(c) Travel and subsistence of military personnel	423	429
(d) Rations	7 496	7 621
(e) Rental, maintenance, utilities and construction of premises	2 633	2 710
(f) Rental of aircraft	2 382	4 500
(g) Communications	164	113
2. <u>Force-wide equipment and supplies</u>		
(a) Purchase of transportation equipment ...	1 727	2 200
(b) Purchase of other equipment	2 166	2 110
(c) Maintenance and operation of motor transport and other equipment	9 064	9 407
(d) Supplies and services	5 305	4 739
(e) Freight, cartage and express	635	450
(f) Reimbursement for depreciation of contingent-owned equipment	3 600	2 000
3. <u>Rotation of contingents</u>	7 435	7 820
4. <u>Death and disability awards</u>	4 067	2 960
5. <u>Welfare</u>	1 100	1 030
6. <u>Payment for troop costs</u>		
(a) Pay and allowances for troops	70 689	69 470
(b) Usage factor for personal clothing, gear and equipment	5 016	4 914
7. <u>Staff assessment</u>	2 399	1 744
Total, lines 1-7	<u>145 500</u>	<u>141 180</u>
8. <u>Income from staff assessment</u>	<u>2 399</u>	<u>1 744</u>
9. <u>Other income</u>	<u>37</u>	<u>20</u>

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ANNEX II

United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon

Supplementary information on the cost estimate for the period from
1 February 1988 to 31 January 1989

1 (a). United Nations daily allowance to troops

	<u>US dollars</u>
19 January 1987 to 31 January 1988: revised apportionment	2 780 000
1 February 1988 to 31 January 1989: cost estimate	2 754 000

1. A daily allowance for incidental personal expenses is paid to all military personnel. It will continue to be the equivalent of \$1.28 per person per day, payable in local currency. The estimate is based on an average of 5,850 troops during the period (366 days) and includes a rotation overlap provision of 0.5 per cent.

1 (b). Salaries and related costs of staff

	<u>US dollars</u>
19 January 1987 to 31 January 1988: revised apportionment	16 399 000
1 February 1988 to 31 January 1989: cost estimate	14 209 000

2. The present staffing establishment of UNIFIL, totalling 516 posts, comprises 476 posts in the mission area (22 Professional and above, 110 General Service, 136 Field Service and 208 Local level), 38 overload posts (14 Professional and 24 General Service) located at United Nations Headquarters in New York and 2 overload posts (Field Service) in the United Nations Office at Geneva.

3. The proposed staffing table for this period remains unchanged from the previously authorized establishment, which is as follows, by grade level and category:

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Number of posts</u>
<u>Professional category and above</u>	
ASG	1
D-1	1
P-5	5
P-4	13
P-3	11
P-2/1	5
Total	<u>36</u>
<u>General Service category</u>	
G-5	14
G-4/1	120
Total	<u>134</u>
<u>Other categories</u>	
Field Service	<u>138</u>
Local level	<u>208</u>
Grand total	<u><u>516</u></u>

4. The breakdown of the estimate for salaries and related costs of staff given in the table below provides a comparison with previous cost levels. To arrive at the estimates of salaries and wages and common staff costs, a 5 per cent turnover factor was applied for existing posts.

	19 January 1987 to 31 January 1988 (US dollars)	1 February 1988 to 31 January 1989 (US dollars)
(i) Salaries and wages	8 816 000	7 939 000
(ii) Common staff costs	7 457 000	6 185 000
(iii) Travel and related subsistence	126 000	85 000
Total	<u><u>16 399 000</u></u>	<u><u>14 209 000</u></u>

(i) Salaries and wages - \$7,939,000

5. This estimate provides for salaries of international staff (\$6,770,000) and for local staff (\$1,041,000). Also included are amounts for temporary assistance (\$96,000) and night differential (\$32,000).

(ii) Common staff costs - \$6,185,000

6. Provision is made for estimated daily and monthly mission allowances (\$1,700,000) and other common staff costs (\$4,485,000). Other common staff costs include estimates for dependency allowances, contributions to the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund, contributions to the medical insurance plan, home leave travel, family visit travel, education grants, education grant travel and travel on appointment, transfer, etc.

(iii) Travel and related subsistence - \$85,000

7. This estimate provides for travel of the Force Commander to New York, periodic official visits by New York staff to UNIFIL, visits to New York by UNIFIL staff members and travel of staff on official business within the mission area.

1 (c). Travel and subsistence of military personnel

US dollars

19 January 1987 to 31 January 1988: revised apportionment	423 000
1 February 1988 to 31 January 1989: cost estimate	429 000

8. Provision is made for payments of subsistence allowances to military personnel who are assigned to duty stations where United Nations accommodation and/or mess facilities are not available and who are on duty travel within the mission area, including travel of air crews, rotation of outstation personnel, regular supply transport trips, inspection visits and travel of staff officers.

9. UNIFIL maintains military police detachments at Tyre (five people), Metulla (four people), Nahariya (seven people), Tel Aviv (five people) and Beirut (three people). A movement control detachment (three people), a senior UNIFIL representative and two air liaison officers are also stationed at Beirut. Where the United Nations provides accommodation, the authorized daily subsistence allowance is reduced by 50 per cent. This estimate is based on daily rates of \$48 in Lebanon and \$34 in Israel.

1 (d). Rations

US dollars

19 January 1987 to 31 January 1988: revised apportionment	7 496 000
1 February 1988 to 31 January 1989: cost estimate	7 621 000

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10. This estimate provides for feeding military members of the Force and those members of the civilian staff who are assigned to posts where mess facilities must be provided. Rations are issued in accordance with approved ration scales. The estimate is based on an average of 5,850 troops. A 10 per cent non-usage factor has been applied in arriving at this estimate, which takes into account personnel at duty stations where mess facilities are not provided and those on duty travel status or absent from their camps on leave or for other reasons.

1 (e). Rental, maintenance, utilities and construction of premises

	<u>US dollars</u>
19 January 1987 to 31 January 1988: revised apportionment	2 633 000
1 February 1988 to 31 January 1989: cost estimate	2 710 000

11. Estimated requirements for this period are summarized in the table below and detailed thereafter. The table also provides a comparison with previous cost levels.

	19 January 1987 to <u>31 January 1988</u> (US dollars)	1 February 1988 to <u>31 January 1989</u> (US dollars)
(i) Rental of premises	179 000	100 000
(ii) Maintenance, repair and adaptation of premises	1 258 000	1 520 000
(iii) Supply of water and electricity	189 000	190 000
(iv) Construction of premises	<u>1 007 000</u>	<u>900 000</u>
Total	<u><u>2 633 000</u></u>	<u><u>2 710 000</u></u>

(i) Rental of premises - \$100,000

12. The estimated costs of rental facilities required by the Force are shown below:

	<u>US dollars</u>
(a) Rented space at Beirut (offices, conference rooms and transit facilities for visiting officials and accommodation for military police and movement control personnel)	56 000
(b) Accommodation for military personnel at Metulla, Tel Aviv and Nahariya and an evacuation centre at Nahariya	23 000
(c) Motor vehicle facilities (vehicle workshop and vehicle pool dispatch centre at Nahariya, garage facilities at Tibnin for maintenance of vehicles and fueling depots)	<u>21 000</u>
Total	<u><u>100 000</u></u>

(ii) Maintenance, repair and adaptation of premises - \$1,520,000

13. This estimate provides for the improvement of security and the maintenance and repair of premises, in UNIFIL headquarters, the contingents' camps, forward command posts and positions, inclusive of the premises rented by the Force. It includes the cost of materials and supplies required for maintenance, repair and alteration of various structures, including spare parts for prefabricated buildings. Also included is a provision for the building of security fence gates, sentry boxes and protection walls and the reconstruction of ammunition bunkers. All work within the capability of the various units is carried out by them on a self-help basis. Materials required include cement, gravel, sand, concrete blocks, ready-mix concrete, timber, plywood, chipboard, paint and paint brushes, corrugated iron and plastic sheeting, plumbing materials, doors, window shutters, locks and electrical supplies (\$894,000). The estimate also includes projects that are beyond the capacity of the various units and must be undertaken on a contractual basis (\$626,000).

(iii) Supply of water and electricity - \$190,000

14. Provision is made under this heading for the cost of water supplied to UNIFIL headquarters and to contingents (\$170,000). In addition, the estimate includes \$20,000 for electricity.

(iv) Construction of premises - \$900,000

15. This estimate provides for the acquisition of prefabricated movable accommodation units of various sizes and configurations (\$505,000). These are required to alleviate overcrowding at certain locations and to accommodate military personnel currently billeted in civilian-owned housing that must be vacated. The estimate also includes a provision for acquiring 50 reconditioned containers and 5 Rubb halls for food and general storage purposes (\$185,000), 30 prefabricated ablution units, including solar heating and fixtures (\$180,000) and 10 solar heating panels (\$30,000).

1 (f). Rental of aircraft

US dollars

19 January 1987 to 31 January 1988: revised apportionment	2 382 000
1 February 1988 to 31 January 1989: cost estimate	4 500 000

16. Provision is made for the operation of five helicopters provided by the Government of Italy, at a total estimated cost of \$4,380,000 plus \$100,000 for fuel, oil and lubricants. The primary function of the helicopters is for patrol and reconnaissance flights over the entire mission area, particularly where it is difficult to establish observation posts or to travel by surface transportation. Other activities include coastal patrols, medical evacuation and search and rescue operations. Also included in this estimate is the cost of airport ground services (\$20,000).

1 (g). Communications

US dollars

19 January 1987 to 31 January 1988: revised apportionment	164 000
1 February 1988 to 31 January 1989: cost estimate	113 000

17. This estimate provides for communications costs, exclusive of personnel and equipment costs, incurred at Geneva and Pisa in support of UNIFIL, as well as within UNIFIL operational centres, including the cost of cables and telex services (\$5,000), telephone calls and rental of lines (\$100,000) and rental of post office boxes and postage of official mail (\$8,000).

2 (a). Purchase of transportation equipment

US dollars

19 January 1987 to 31 January 1988: revised apportionment	1 727 000
1 February 1988 to 31 January 1989: cost estimate	2 200 000

18. The proposed vehicle purchase programme is set out in the table below. All the purchases are required to replace vehicles already condemned or in the process of being condemned because they are worn out and uneconomical to maintain.

<u>Description</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Unit cost</u> (US dollars)	<u>Total cost</u> (US dollars)
Car, medium	1	11 300	11 300
Car, light	7	8 700	60 900
Jeep, medium	10	14 000	140 000
Truck, single cabin	1	11 120	11 120
Truck, light, passenger	2	12 425	24 850
Van, delivery	1	11 325	11 325
Truck, ambulance	3	23 175	69 525
Shelter workshop, mobile	4	10 000	40 000
Truck, cargo, medium	4	52 600	210 400
Truck, cargo, light	26	47 300	1 229 800
Truck, water	1	62 100	62 100
Trailer, water	3	4 000	12 000
Forklift	6	20 000	120 000
Freight on vehicles			196 680
Total	69		2 200 000

2 (b). Purchase of other equipmentUS dollars

19 January 1987 to 31 January 1988: revised apportionment

2 186 000

1 February 1988 to 31 January 1989: cost estimate

2 110 000

19. The estimated costs of other equipment required are summarized in the table below and detailed thereafter. The table also provides a comparison with previous cost levels.

	<u>19 January 1987 to 31 January 1988</u> (US dollars)	<u>1 February 1988 to 31 January 1989</u> (US dollars)
(i) Communications equipment	765 000	800 000
(ii) Generators	183 000	300 000
(iii) Maintenance and shop equipment	275 000	250 000
(iv) Medical and dental equipment	16 000	30 000
(v) Tentage	-	-
(vi) Accommodation and mess equipment	301 000	175 000
(vii) Office furniture and equipment	147 000	140 000
(viii) Observation equipment	47 000	175 000
(ix) Miscellaneous equipment	452 000	240 000
Total	2 186 000	2 110 000

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(i) Communications equipment - \$800,000

20. The provision under this heading covers the purchase of required civilian and military-type communications equipment. All are replacement items or essential additional equipment and include the following:

(a) Civilian communications equipment. Teleprinters, mobile VHF radios, base stations, VHF repeaters, oscilloscopes, consoles, transmission test sets, selective level meter, battery chargers, voltmeters, VHF pagers, transcriber recorder for telephone exchange, telephones, volt/ampere chart recorder, data privacy devices, plotter and recorder, analog to digital converter, solar electric panels, microwave link telephone, multiplex channels for telephone link, expansion of telephone exchange and an uninterruptible power supply for a message switch device (\$483,000);

(b) Military-type communications equipment. Converters with mounting trays, field telephones, battery chargers, microwave terminals, switchboards, remote control units, public address equipment, non-directional beacons, amplifier and radios of various types (\$317,000).

(ii) Generators - \$300,000

21. This estimate covers the cost of purchasing the following generators: two 650 KVA (\$120,000), two 250 KVA (\$60,000) and five 96 KVA (\$120,000).

(iii) Maintenance and shop equipment - \$250,000

22. Included under this heading is the cost of a wide range of tools and specialized equipment required as replacements for worn-out items in maintenance and repair workshops throughout the Force.

(iv) Medical and dental equipment - \$30,000

23. Included in this estimate is the cost of replacing medical and dental equipment (\$20,000) and the purchase of necessary additional medical and dental equipment (\$10,000).

(v) Tentage - Nil

24. It is not anticipated that a requirement for tentage will exist during the 1988/1989 budget period.

(vi) Accommodation and mess equipment - \$175,000

25. Provision is made for the local acquisition of accommodation and mess equipment needed as additional items and replacements for those wornout or damaged, such as beds, tables, sofas, wardrobes, bedside lamps, fans, mirrors and armchairs (\$66,000) and stainless-steel kitchen tables, walk-in freezers, vegetable cutting machines, dishwashers, baking ovens, electric toasters, meat slicers, meat saws, food-mixers, coffee urns, juice dispensers and bread slicers (\$109,000).

(vii) Office furniture and equipment - \$140,000

26. This estimate covers the local purchase of office furniture and equipment needed as replacements for items either worn-out or damaged beyond repair, such as chairs, desks, filing cabinets, typewriters, photocopiers, calculators and paper shredders.

(viii) Observation equipment - \$175,000

27. This estimate provides for the purchase of search lights, field binoculars, floodlights, night-vision binoculars and night telescopes.

(ix) Miscellaneous equipment - \$240,000

28. Provision is made for the replacement of worn-out miscellaneous equipment and the acquisition of other essential equipment. These miscellaneous items, not listed elsewhere in this report, consist of refrigerators, water-heaters, water tanks and towers, oil heaters for garages, fire-fighting equipment, air-conditioners, water-resistant canvas, shelving and sewage units.

2 (c). Maintenance and operation of motor transport and other equipment

	<u>US dollars</u>
19 January 1987 to 31 January 1988: revised apportionment	9 064 000
1 February 1988 to 31 January 1989: cost estimate	9 407 000

29. Estimated requirements under this heading are summarized in the table below and detailed thereafter. Also shown is a comparison with previous cost levels.

	19 January 1987 to 31 January 1988 (US dollars)	1 February 1988 to 31 January 1989 (US dollars)
(i) Petrol, oil and lubricants	2 093 000	2 307 000
(ii) Spare parts and maintenance for motor vehicles	5 946 000	5 900 000
(iii) Spare parts and maintenance for other equipment	1 025 000	1 200 000
Total	<u>9 064 000</u>	<u>9 407 000</u>

(i) Petrol, oil and lubricants - \$2,367,000

30. Provision is made for the purchase of gasoline, diesel fuel, motor oil, lubricants and other petroleum products for use in the operation of motor vehicles, heavy mobile equipment and stationary engines. This estimate is based on the most recent actual consumption data and on current prices of petroleum products.

(ii) Spare parts and maintenance for motor vehicles - \$5,900,000

31. Requirements under this heading represent the cost of spare parts for military-pattern vehicles (\$2,100,000) and commercial-pattern vehicles (\$3,390,000), and the cost of local maintenance and repair contracts (\$410,000).

(iii) Spare parts and maintenance for other equipment - \$1,200,000

32. Provision is made for the cost of spare parts (\$451,000), the local maintenance of stationary engines and other non-expendable equipment, such as generators, typewriters, refrigerators, freezers, water-heaters, electric fans, stoves, computer terminals, water systems, hydraulic and vacuum systems, sewage treatment plant, chlorination plants, portable water systems, the calibration of electronic test equipment and the overhaul of crew-assisted weapons and medical equipment in contingents' home countries (\$749,000).

2 (d). Supplies and servicesUS dollars

19 January 1987 to 31 January 1988: revised apportionment	5 305 000
1 February 1988 to 31 January 1989: cost estimate	4 739 000

33. This estimate covers various expendable supplies and services, as summarized in the table below and detailed thereafter. The table also provides a comparison with previous cost levels.

	19 January 1987 to 31 January 1988 (US dollars)	1 February 1988 to 31 January 1989 (US dollars)
(i) Clothing and uniforms	748 000	500 000
(ii) Field defence stores	433 000	800 000
(iii) Medical and dental supplies	566 000	500 000
(iv) Sanitation and cleaning material	183 000	180 000
(v) Quartermaster and general stores	859 000	650 000
(vi) Communication supplies and batteries	968 000	815 000
(vii) Stationery and office supplies	252 000	160 000
(viii) Contractual services	452 000	350 000
(ix) Commercial insurance	595 000	574 000
(x) Medical consultation and emergency treatment	54 000	50 000
(xi) Postage for military personnel	95 000	40 000
(xii) External audit services	20 000	45 000
(xiii) Miscellaneous supplies and services	80 000	75 000
Total	<u>5 305 000</u>	<u>4 739 000</u>

(i) Clothing and uniforms - \$500,000

34. Provision is made for:

(a) United Nations clothing that military personnel retain on rotation (\$322,000);

(b) Winter clothing, including sleeping bags, issued to troops who are not equipped from national sources (\$15,000);

(c) Special items of clothing needed for hygiene purposes by military personnel and civilian local employees on certain jobs (\$133,000);

(d) Field service uniforms for certain civilian personnel (\$30,000).

(ii) Field defence stores - \$800,000

35. This estimate provides for concertina wire (\$68,000), barbed wire (\$20,000), sandbags (\$144,000), fence posts (\$68,000), metal tank obstacles (\$6,000), explosives (\$34,000), gabions (\$46,000), observation towers (\$40,000) and T-wall elements (\$117,000), portable shelters (\$68,000), chain links (\$56,000), concrete blocks (\$14,000), ammunition magazines (\$117,000) and iron bars (\$2,000).

(iii) Medical and dental supplies - \$500,000

36. This estimate provides for a wide range of medical and dental supplies required by the Force, such as medicines (\$350,000), vaccines (\$55,000), surgical and dressing materials (\$55,000) and dental supplies (\$40,000).

(iv) Sanitation and cleaning material - \$180,000

37. Provision is made for the cost of insecticides (\$41,000), disinfectants (\$26,000), fly-paper (\$2,000), soaps and detergents (\$35,000), water purification chemicals (\$22,000), garbage cans, buckets and basins (\$8,000), scouring powders and cleansing detergents (\$23,000) and mops, sponges and brushes (\$23,000).

(v) Quartermaster and general stores - \$650,000

38. This estimate covers the cost of butane gas (\$135,000), electrical supplies (\$86,000), fire extinguisher refills (\$34,000), various items of bedding (\$90,000), curtains (\$16,000), mosquito nets (\$30,000), toilet paper, paper towels and paper napkins (\$98,000), garbage bags (\$15,000), kitchen utensils, crockery and cutlery (\$50,000), flags (\$25,000), photographic supplies (\$20,000), packaging supplies (\$19,000), oxygen and acetylene refills (\$12,000), freon gas (\$5,000), operational maps (\$13,000) and plastic jerrycans (\$2,000).

(vi) Communications supplies and batteries - \$815,000

39. Provision is made for the cost of supplies and spare parts for the operation and maintenance of the UNIFIL communications system. For the civilian communications network, this includes spare parts and supplies for radio and telephone equipment, including batteries, intercom cable, antenna cable and connectors, tower components and miscellaneous tools (\$266,000). Also included for the military-pattern radio and telephone equipment are miscellaneous spare parts, batteries, battery chargers and assorted antennas (\$549,000).

(vii) Stationery and office supplies - \$160,000

40. This estimate covers the cost of miscellaneous supplies used in all offices throughout the Force, including writing paper, carbon paper, teletype paper, envelopes, data-processing supplies, registry and reproduction supplies, computer software and other items such as pencils, pens, erasers, staplers, ribbons and calendars.

(viii) Contractual services - \$350,000

41. Provision is made to cover services provided to the Force, such as laundry, dry-cleaning and tailoring, including cleaning of fragmentation jackets, sleeping bags and blankets for military personnel and Field Service staff (\$137,000), haircutting for military personnel (\$8,000), hauling of supplies and equipment to observation posts and other positions inaccessible to vehicles (\$1,000), emptying cesspits in the area of operations and at UNIFIL headquarters (\$50,000), interpretation and translation services (\$16,000), security services (\$23,000),

maintenance of garbage dump (\$3,000), repair of wardrobes and beds, etc. (\$12,000), maintenance of prefabricated buildings (\$16,000) and telecommunication and armoured personnel carrier technicians' fees (\$84,000).

(ix) Commercial insurance - \$574,000

42. This estimate provides for the cost of third-party liability insurance carried by the Force to cover its fleet of motor vehicles (\$385,000) and its helicopters (\$189,000).

(x) Medical consultation and emergency treatment - \$50,000

43. Provision is made for medical expenses incurred for the care and treatment of sick and injured military personnel and for emergency dental care for the troops when treatment cannot be furnished by the Force's established medical and dental facilities.

(xi) Postage for military personnel - \$40,000

44. This estimate covers the cost of postage of personal mail of military personnel to their home countries.

(xii) External audit service - \$45,000

45. This estimate provides for the cost of the external audit service.

(xiii) Miscellaneous supplies and services - \$75,000

46. Included under this heading is provision for the repair of vehicle canvas and the upholstery of furniture (\$8,000), newspapers and other publications (\$22,000), United Nations medal sets (\$14,000), legal fees and law publications (\$4,000) and miscellaneous costs for patrol dogs (\$27,000).

(e). Freight, cartage and express

US dollars

19 January 1987 to 31 January 1988: revised apportionment	635 000
1 February 1988 to 31 January 1989: cost estimate	450 000

47. This estimate includes the cost of shipping and handling of equipment and supplies and spare parts to and from the mission area that has not been provided for elsewhere, as well as the freight costs for diplomatic pouches.

2 (f). Reimbursement for depreciation of
contingent-owned equipment

US dollars

19 January 1987 to 31 January 1988: revised apportionment	3 600 000
1 February 1988 to 31 January 1989: cost estimate	2 000 000

48. This estimate provides for the reimbursement to troop-contributing Governments of the cost of depreciation over a four-year period of contingent-owned equipment furnished to their contingents at the request of the United Nations. This provision is based on an annual depreciation rate of 30 per cent for each of the first two years of service in UNIFIL and 20 per cent for each of the last two years of service.

49. The estimated cost of depreciation is based on the approved general guidelines, which provide for reimbursement for depreciation of contingent-owned equipment over a period of four years. After depreciation has been fully paid, the ownership of an item vests in the United Nations unless otherwise agreed upon for specific items.

3. Rotation of contingents

US dollars

19 January 1987 to 31 January 1988: revised apportionment	7 435 000
1 February 1988 to 31 January 1989: cost estimate	7 820 000

50. Provision is made under this heading for the cost of rotating contingents upon completion of their tours of duty of approximately six months' duration and for the cost of repatriating individual members of the Force for medical, compassionate or other reasons. This estimate includes the cost of chartered aircraft, as well as bus transportation between ports of arrival/departure and baggage service. It is based on current expenditure experience.

4. Death and disability awards

US dollars

19 January 1987 to 31 January 1988: revised apportionment	4 067 000
1 February 1988 to 31 January 1989: cost estimate	2 960 000

51. This estimate provides for the reimbursement of troop-contributing Governments for payments made by them under national legislation and/or regulations for death, injury, disability or illness of members of the Force attributable to service with UNIFIL.

5. Welfare

	<u>US dollars</u>
19 January 1987 to 31 January 1988: revised apportionment	1 100 000
1 February 1988 to 31 January 1989: cost estimate	1 030 000

52. Provision is made to pay troops for recreational leave at a rate of \$10.50 per day for up to seven days of leave taken during a six-month period of service (\$860,000). This estimate also provides for the purchase of recreational and sports supplies and equipment, rental of movies and maintenance of sports and recreational areas (\$170,000).

6 (a). Pay and allowances for troops

	<u>US dollars</u>
19 January 1987 to 31 January 1988: revised apportionment	70 689 000 ^a
1 February 1988 to 31 January 1989: cost estimate	69 470 000

53. Provision is made for payment to troop-contributing Governments of troop costs in respect of pay and allowances at the standard rate of \$950 per man-month for all ranks, plus a supplementary \$280 per man-month for a limited number of specialists (25 per cent of logistics contingents and 10 per cent of others).

6 (b). Usage factor for personal clothing, gear and equipment

	<u>US dollars</u>
19 January 1987 to 31 January 1988: revised apportionment	5 016 000
1 February 1988 to 31 January 1989: cost estimate	4 914 000

54. This estimate provides for payment to troop-contributing Governments of a usage factor for all items of personal clothing, gear and equipment issued by those Governments to their troops, at the standard rate of \$65 per man-month for personal clothing, gear and equipment, plus \$5 per man-month for personal weapons and ammunition.

7. Staff assessment

	<u>US dollars</u>
19 January 1987 to 31 January 1988: revised apportionment	2 399 000
1 February 1988 to 31 January 1989: cost estimate	1 744 000

55. Staff costs have been shown on a net basis under budget line item 1 (b), entitled "Salaries and related costs of staff". Accordingly, the estimate under this heading represents the difference between gross and net emoluments, that is, the amount of staff assessment to which United Nations staff members are subject, in accordance with the Staff Regulations of the United Nations.

8. Income from staff assessment

	<u>US dollars</u>
19 January 1987 to 31 January 1988: revised apportionment	2 399 000
1 February 1988 to 31 January 1989: cost estimate	1 744 000

56. The salaries and related emoluments of United Nations staff members are subject to assessment at rates stated in regulation 3.3 of the Staff Regulations of the United Nations. All revenue derived from staff assessment that is not otherwise disposed of by specific resolution of the General Assembly is credited to the Tax Equalization Fund. Member States are given credit in that Fund in proportion to their rates of contribution to the UNIFIL budget. The amount of staff assessment provided under expenditure budget line item 7 has been credited to this item as income from staff assessment.

9. Other income

	<u>US dollars</u>
19 January 1987 to 31 January 1988: revised apportionment	37 000
1 February 1988 to 31 January 1989: cost estimate	20 000

57. Included under this heading is the estimated income to be derived from sales of obsolete or surplus equipment and stores.
