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PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1980-1981

INTERNATIONAL YOUTH YEAR

Administrative and financial implications of the draft resolution  
contained in document A/C.3/35/L.26

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

1. At its 49th meeting on 7 November 1980, the Third Committee adopted the draft resolution contained in document A/C.3/35/L.26 as orally amended. The Committee had before it at that time a statement of financial implications in document A/C.3/35/L.39.
2. Under paragraph 4 of the draft resolution contained in document A/C.3/35/L.26, the General Assembly would request the Secretary-General to convene three sessions of the Advisory Committee during the period 1981-1985 to formulate, for consideration by the General Assembly, a specific programme of measures and activities to be undertaken prior to and during the International Youth Year on the basis of the draft programme prepared by the Secretary-General, and, under paragraph 5, the General Assembly would request the Secretary-General to convene the first session in early 1981 and to submit the report on its first session to the General Assembly at its thirty-sixth session.
3. The Secretary-General proposes to convene the first session of the Advisory Committee in the first half of 1981. Subsequent sessions would be convened on the basis of decisions taken by the General Assembly at its thirty-sixth session in the context of its review of the report of the first session of the Advisory Committee. Any necessary appropriations for subsequent sessions might also be requested at that time. Accordingly, conference servicing costs have been estimated only for the convening of the first session in 1981.
4. Conference servicing costs for the convening of the first session of the Advisory Committee in 1981 are estimated at \$124,600, based on the following assumptions:

(a) That the Advisory Committee would meet in Vienna for a period of 10 days;

(b) That interpretation would be provided in Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish;

(c) That there would be 30 pages of pre-session and 40 pages of in-session documentation in Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish and 40 pages of post-session documentation in all six working languages of the General Assembly;

(d) That the costs of travel and subsistence of members of the Advisory Committee would be borne by their respective Governments.

5. These conference requirements are calculated on a full-cost basis, as detailed in the annex, which assumes no capacity for absorption on the part of the Department of Conference Services. These requirements will be reviewed in the context of a consolidated statement of total conference servicing requirements to be submitted toward the end of the current session of the General Assembly.

6. Provisions would also need to be made to enable the attendance at the session of (a) one staff member of the Office of Secretariat Services for Economic and Social Matters who would serve as Secretary of the Advisory Committee; (b) one representative of the Under-Secretary-General of the Department of International Economic and Social Affairs; and (c) one representative each from ECA, ECLA, ECWA and ESCAP. The costs of travel and subsistence are estimated at \$2,200 for OSSECS, \$2,200 for DIESA and \$12,300 for the regional commissions, totalling \$16,700.

7. The preparation of a draft programme called for in paragraph 3 of the draft resolution is not included in the 1980-1981 programme budget of the Social Development and Humanitarian Programme of the Department of International Economic and Social Affairs. The Secretary-General, however, intends to absorb the cost for its preparation within existing resources.

8. Under paragraph 6, the General Assembly would invite the Advisory Committee to be represented in regional and international meetings dealing with youth or related to youth questions and request the Secretary-General to provide every means to assist it in this regard. It is the understanding of the Secretary-General that such meetings would be identified by the Advisory Committee at its first session and that the provision for travel of the representative of the Advisory Committee to such meetings would not be required before 1982. Therefore, such additional resources as would be needed would be indicated to the Advisory Committee at the time it considers the adoption of proposals for its representation at specifically identified meetings.

9. Under paragraph 7 of the draft resolution, the Secretary-General would be requested to undertake concrete measures, through all the communications media at his disposal, to give widespread publicity to the activities of the United Nations system in the field of youth and to increase the dissemination of information on youth. Pending the completion by the Advisory Committee of a specific programme of measures and activities to be undertaken prior to and during the International Youth Year, this request will be taken into account in the activities to be undertaken by

the Department of Public Information in 1981. When the Advisory Committee has made its recommendations on the size and scope of the information programme for the Year, then the Secretary-General would be in a position to indicate any additional resource requirements to the General Assembly at the same time that the Advisory Committee's proposed programme is submitted. With regard to press coverage of the meetings of the Advisory Committee, on the assumption that those meetings would not overlap with meetings of other United Nations bodies, no additional resources would be required. However, if that assumption is not realized, the additional requirements for temporary assistance at the rate of \$1,200 per week of meetings may need to be taken into account in the performance report on the programme budget.

10. The adoption by the General Assembly of the draft resolution contained in document A/C.3/35/L.26 would give rise to expenditures estimated at \$16,700 for which an additional appropriation would be required, broken down as follows:

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Section 6 (DIESA)	2,200
Section 8 (OSSECS)	2,200
Section 11 (ESCAP)	3,400
Section 12 (ECLA)	3,900
Section 13 (ECA)	2,700
Section 14 (ECWA)	<u>2,300</u>
Total	<u>16,700</u>

The above amount is exclusive of conference servicing costs, estimated at \$124,600, which, as indicated in paragraph 4 above, will be reviewed within the context of the consolidated statement of total conference servicing requirements to be submitted to the General Assembly at the end of its current session.

Annex

CONFERENCE SERVICING REQUIREMENTS FOR THE FIRST MEETING OF THE  
 ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE INTERNATIONAL YOUTH YEAR\*

	<u>Number of staff</u>	<u>Number of days</u>	<u>Rate</u>		<u>Total</u>
			\$	\$	
<u>Interpretation (CEFRS)</u>					
Salaries (including subsistence)	16	14	213	47 712	
Travel	16	-	518	<u>8 288</u>	56 000
<u>Pre-session documentation (CEFRS) Work days</u>					
(30 pages)					
Salaries (including subsistence)					
Translation	41		185	7 585	
Revision	14		210	2 940	
Typing - non-local recruits	46		69	<u>3 175</u>	13 700
<u>In-session documentation (CEFRS)</u>					
(40 pages)					
Salaries (including subsistence)					
Translation	54		185	9 990	
Revision	18		210	3 780	
Typing - non-local recruits	61		69	4 210	
Travel	12		518	<u>6 220</u>	24 200
<u>Post-session documentation (ACEFRS)</u>					
(40 pages)					
Salaries (including subsistence)					
Translation	68		185	12 580	
Revision	23		210	4 830	
Typing - non-local recruits	75		69	<u>5 175</u>	22 585
					<u>Number of staff</u>
<u>Reproduction and distribution</u>					7 250
<u>Other conference staff</u>					
Conference officer	1	10	45	450	
Documents clerks	1	10	45	<u>450</u>	900
•General Services					
				<u><u>\$124 635</u></u>	

\* Assumes servicing by Geneva Conference Services with pre- and post-sessional documentation being produced in Geneva.