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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL CONSEQUENCES OF THE ARMAMENTS RACE AND ITS
EXTREMELY HARMFUL EFFECTS ON WORLD PEACE AND SECURITY

Administrative and financial implications of the draft resolution
contained in document A/C.1/35/L.16

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

1. The First Committee, at its 43rd meeting held on 25 November 1980, adopted the draft resolution contained in document A/C.1/35/L.16. It had before it a statement of financial implications (A/C.1/35/L.49/Rev.1).
2. Under the terms of the draft resolution contained in document A/C.1/35/L.16 the General Assembly would request the Secretary-General to bring up to date, with the assistance of qualified consultant experts appointed by him, the report entitled Economic and Social Consequences of the Arms Race and of Military Expenditures covering the basic topics of that report, and to transmit it to the General Assembly at its thirty-seventh session.
3. To carry out the updating of the study the Secretary-General intends to invite 13 qualified experts who would hold one session in 1981 and two sessions in 1982 in New York.
4. Provided hereunder are estimated expenditures in connexion with the work of the expert group:
 - (a) The meetings of the group of experts would require provision of interpretation in five languages (Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish) and translation of pre-session and post-session documentation of a total volume of

540 pages in four languages and in the case of the post-session documentation of the last meeting in 1982 in five languages (A, C, F, R, S).

The related conference-servicing costs would be as follows: 1/

	<u>1981</u>	<u>1982</u>	<u>Total</u>
	\$	\$	\$
Pre-session documentation (90,000 words) (languages: C, F, R, S)	54,500	115,000	169,500
Meeting servicing (languages of interpretation: C, E, F, R, S)	68,600	145,400	214,000
Post-session documentation (120,900 words) (languages: A, C, F, R, S)	11,500	264,400	275,900
OGS requirements	6,400	13,600	20,000
Total	<u>141,000</u>	<u>538,400</u>	<u>679,400</u>

(b) Based on the assumptions that the experts will be paid travel and daily subsistence allowance at the D-1 level and that the 1981 session will last for two weeks, and the duration of the 1982 session would be for four weeks, the cost of the travel expenses involved will amount to \$38,700 for 1981 and \$82,000 for 1982.

(c) One consultant at the P-5 level will be required for a total period of three months (one month in 1981 and two months in 1982) to produce the required specialized material for the expert group. Associated fees and travel costs are estimated at \$18,800 (\$6,000 for 1981 and \$12,800 for 1982).

5. Accordingly, total estimated expenditures resulting from the draft resolution would amount to \$818,900, of which \$185,700 pertains to 1981 and \$633,200 to 1982.

6. 1981 requirements (\$185,700) include \$44,700 which relate to section 2 B, and \$141,000 to section 29. It should be recalled that an appropriation has already been made for travel and subsistence of experts and for general temporary assistance under section 2 B of the budget for the biennium 1980-1981. As for conference services requirements indicated in paragraph 4 (a) and above are based

1/ More detailed information on conference-servicing requirements is contained in the annex to this statement.

on full cost, at current rates. Towards the close of the present session of the General Assembly, when the definitive pattern of conferences for 1981 is considered it will be indicated in the consolidated statement of conference-servicing requirements to what extent the costs of conference servicing dealt within the present document can be absorbed within existing resources.

7. Consequently, should the General Assembly adopt the draft resolution contained in document A/C.1/35/L.16, the Secretary-General would not request any additional appropriation at this stage.

ANNEX

A. First meeting (20-31 July 1981)

	<u>Total workload</u>	<u>Unit rate a/ \$</u>	<u>Total cost b/ \$</u>	
<u>I. Pre-session</u>				
(30,000 words)				
(languages: C, E, F, R, S)				
(a) Translation	102 days	251/day	25 600	
(b) Revision	34 days	264/day	9 000	
(c) Typing	115 days	135/day	15 500	
(d) Reproduction	457,500 page impressions	.009/page im- pression	4 100	
(e) Distribution	6,100 docu- ments	.045/document	300	
			<hr style="width: 50px; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/>	\$ 54 500
<u>II. Meeting servicing</u>				
(a) Interpretation	224 days	302/day	67 600	
(languages: C, E, F, R, S)				
(b) Supporting staff				
- Conference officer	14 days	33/day	500	
- Documents distribution clerk	14 days	33/day	500	
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<u>III. Post-session</u>				
(6,000 words)				
(languages: C, E, F, R, S)				
(a) Translation	21 days	251/day	5 300	
(b) Revision	7 days	264/day	1 900	
(c) Typing	24 days	135/day	3 200	
(d) Reproduction	91,500 page impressions	.009/page im- pression	800	
(e) Distribution	6,100 docu- ments	.045/document	300	
			<hr style="width: 50px; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/>	11 500
		Total (I, II and III)		<hr style="width: 50px; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/> \$134 600

	<u>Total workload</u>	<u>Unit rate <u>a/</u> \$</u>	<u>Total cost <u>b/</u> \$</u>	
IV. <u>OGS requirements</u>				
(a) Sound engineering			4 800	
(b) General operating expenses			1 600	<u>6 400</u>
		Grand total		<u>\$141 000</u>

a/ For the purpose of cost estimates, the unit rates for interpretation, translation, revision and typing include the element of travel.

b/ Portions less than \$100 have been rounded to the nearest hundred dollars.

B. Second and third meeting (January and July 1982)

	<u>Total workload</u>	<u>Unit rate a/ \$</u>	<u>Total cost b/ \$</u>	
I. <u>Pre-session</u>				
(60,000 words)				
(languages: C, E, F, R, S)				
(a) Translation	203 days	251/day	51 000	
(b) Revision	67 days	264/day	17 700	
(c) Typing	228 days	135/day	30 800	
(d) Reproduction	915,000 page impressions	.009/page im- pression	8 200	
(e) Distribution	18,300 docu- ments	.045/document	800	
			<hr/>	\$108 500
II. <u>Meeting servicing</u>				
(a) Interpretation	448 days	302/day	135 200	
(languages: C, E, F, R, S)				
(b) Supporting staff				
- Conference officer	28 days	33/day	1 000	
- Documents distribution clerk	28 days	33/day	1 000	
			<hr/>	137 200
III. <u>Post-session</u>				
(120,000 words)				
(languages: C, E, F, R, S)				
(a) Translation	474 days	251/day	119 000	
(b) Revision	157 days	264/day	41 400	
(c) Typing	525 days	135/day	70 900	
(d) Reproduction	1,950,000 page impressions	.009/page im- pression	17 500	
(e) Distribution	12,800 docu- ments	.045/document	600	
			<hr/>	<u>249 400</u>
		Total (I, II and III)		<u>\$495 100</u>

	<u>Total workload</u>	<u>Unit rate a/ \$</u>	<u>Total cost b/ \$</u>
IV. <u>OGS requirements</u>			
(a) Sound engineering			9 600
(b) General operating expenses			3 200
			<u>12 800</u>
		Total	\$507 900
	Requirement in connexion with inflation		<u>30 500</u>
		GRAND TOTAL	<u>\$538 400</u>

a/ For the purpose of cost estimates, the unit rates for interpretation, translation, revision and typing include the element of travel.

b/ Portions less than \$100 have been rounded to the nearest hundred dollars.