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PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1980-1981

GENERAL AND COMPLETE DISARMAMENT

Study on conventional disarmament

Administrative and financial implications of the draft resolution contained in document A/C.1/35/L.2/Rev.1

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 47th meeting held on 28 November 1980, adopted the draft resolution contained in document A/C.1/35/L.2/Rev.1. It had before it a statement of financial implications (A/C.1/35/L.60).

2. Under the terms of the draft resolution contained in document A/C.1/35/L.2/Rev.1 of 18 November 1980 the General Assembly would, inter alia:

(a) Approve in principle the carrying out of a study on all aspects of the conventional arms race and on disarmament relating to conventional weapons and armed forces, to be undertaken by the Secretary-General with the assistance of a group of qualified experts appointed by him on a balanced geographical basis;

(b) Further request the Secretary-General to submit a progress report on the study on all aspects of the conventional arms race and on disarmament relating to conventional weapons and armed forces to the second special session of the General Assembly devoted to disarmament, and a final report to the General Assembly at its thirty-eighth session.

3. To carry out the requested study the Secretary-General intends to appoint 15 qualified experts who would hold one session in 1981 of a duration of two weeks (20 to 31 July, New York), two sessions of two weeks duration each in March and August of 1982 (New York), two sessions of two weeks duration each in January and July of 1983 (New York).

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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 pre-session, in-session, and post-session documentation of a total volume of 2,510 pages in five languages. Post-session documentation of the first session in 1982 and the last session in 1983 would be in six languages. The related conference servicing costs would be as follows: 1/

	1981	1982	1983
	\$	\$	\$
Pre-session documentation (500,000 words)			
(languages: C,E,F,R,S)	36,000	459,400	484,200
Meeting servicing (languages of interpretation:			
C, E, F, R, S	68,600	145,400	153,700
In-session documentation (163,500 words) (languagest (C.E.P.D.S)	25 500		
(languages: C,E,F,R,S)	35,500	152,000	160,700
Post-session documentation (324,000 words)			
(languages: A,C,E,F,R,S)	7,400	342,400	360,800
OGS requirements	6,400	13,600	14,300
Total	153,900	1,112,800	1,173,700

(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, the duration of the 1982 sessions would be of four weeks, and those of 1983 four weeks, the cost of travel expenses involved will amount to \$38,400 in 1981, \$81,300 in 1982, and \$86,200 in 1983.

(c) Consultant services at the equivalent of P-5 level will be required for a total period of 15 months (one consultant for one month in 1981, one consultant for four months in 1982, and two consultants for five months each in 1983) to prepare bibliography, to write individual chapters on specific technical subjects, and to co-ordinate the preparation of the draft and final report. Associated fees and travel costs are estimated at \$74,200 (\$6,000 for 1981, \$20,200 for 1982, and \$48,000 for 1983).

 $[\]underline{1}$ / More detailed information on conference servicing requirements is contained in the annex to this statement.

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5. Accordingly, total estimated expenditures resulting from the draft resolution would amount to \$2,720,500, of which \$198,300 pertains to 1981, \$1,214,300 to 1982, and \$1,307,900 to 1983.

6. 1981 requirements (\$198,300) include \$44,400 which relates to section 2 B, and \$153,900 to section 29. Conference services requirements as indicated in paragraph 4(a) and above are based 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 with in the present document can be absorbed within existing resources.

7. As regards the 1982 and 1983 portions of the requirements, it is the intention of the Secretary-General to request an appropriation in the context of the proposed programme badget for the biennium 1982-1983.

8. Consequently, should the General Assembly adopt the draft resolution contained in document A/C.1/35/L.2/Rev.1 the Secretary-General would request at this stage additional appropriation in a total amount of \$44,400 under section 2 B of the programme budget for the biennium 1980-1981.

Annex

A. First session (20-31 July 1981)

			Total workload	<u>Unit rate</u> <u>a</u> / \$	Total cost b	2/
Ι.	Pre-	session		-	·	
		20,000 words) anguages: C,E,F,R,S)				
	(a)	Translation	67 days	251/day	16 800	
	(b)	Revision	22 days	264/day	5 800	
	(c)	Typing	75 days	135/day	10 100	
	(d)	Reproduction	305,000 page impressions	.009/page impression	2 700	
	(e)	Distribution	1,200 documents	.045/document	600	\$ 36 000
11.	Meet	ing servicing				
	(a)	<pre>Interpretation (languages: C,E,F,R,S)</pre>	224 days	302/day	67 600	
	(b)	Supporting staff				
		- Conference officer	14 days	33/day	500	
		- Documents distribution clerk	14 days	33/day	500	68 600
III.	In-s	ession				
		20,000 words) anguages: C,E,F,R,S)				
	(a)	Translation	67 days	251/day	16 800	
	(b)	Revision	22 days	264/day	5 800	
	(C)	Typing	75 days	135/day	10 100	
	(d)	Reproduction	255,000 page impressions	.009/page impression	2 300	
	(e)	Distribution	10,200 documents	.045/document	500	35 500
IV.	Post	session				
		1,000 words) anguages: C,E,F,R,S)				
	(a)	Translation	14 days	251/day	3 500	
	(b)	Revision	4 days	264/day	1 100	
	(c)	Typing	15 days	135/day	2 000	
	(đ)	Reproduction	61,000 page im- pressions	.009/page im- pression	500	
	(e)	Distribution	6,100 documents	.045/document	300	7 400
			Total (I, II, III and IV)	\$147 500

V. OGS requirements

	G	Grand Total		\$153,	900	
(b)	General operating expenses		1 600		400	
(a)	Sound engineering		4 800			

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B. Second and third sessions (March and August 1982)

			Total workload	Unit rate a/ \$	Total cost 1 \$	<u>b</u> /
Ι.	Pre-	session				
		40,000 words) anguages: C,E,F,R,S)				
	(a)	Translation	812 days	251/day	203 800	
	(b)	Revision	268 days	264/day	70 800	
	(c)	Typing	912 days	135/day	123 100	
	(d)	Reproduction	3,660,000 impressions	.009/page impression	32 900	
	(e)	Distribution	61,000 documents	.045/document	2 800	\$ 433 400
11.	Moot	ing corviging				
11.	(a)	ing servicing Interpretation (languages: C,E,F,R,S)	448 days	302/day	135 400	
	(b)	Supporting staff				
	(0)	- Conference officer	28 days	33/day	900	
		- Documents distribution	20 4495	557 du j	200	
		clerk	28 days	33/day	900	137 200
III.	In-s	ession				
	(8	0,000 words) anguages: C,E,F,R,S)				
	(a)	Translation	272 days	251/day	68 300	
	(b)	Revision	90 days	264/day	23 700	
	(C)	Typing	306 days	135/day	41 300	
	(d)	Reproduction	1,020,000 page impressions	.009/page impression	9 200	
	(e)	Distribution	20,400 documents	.045/document	900	143 400
IV.	Post	session				
		60,000 words) anguages: A,C,E,F,R,S)				
	(a)	Translation	610 days	251/day	153 100	
	(b)	Revision	203 days	264/day	53 600	
	(c)	Typing	678 days	135/day	91 500	
	(d)	Reproduction	2,560,000 page impressions	.009/page impression	23 000	
	(e)	Distribution	39,000 documents	.045/document	1 800	323 000
			Total (I	, II, III and IV)	\$1 037 000
v.	OGS	requirements				
	(a)	Sound engineering			9 600	
	(b)	General operating expenses			3 200	12 800
				Tota	1	\$1 049 800
		Req	uirement in connexi	on with inflation	n	63 000
				Grand tota	L	\$1 112 800

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C. Fourth and fifth sessions (January and July 1983)

			Total workload	Unit rate a/	Total cost b/	/
I.	<u>Pre-</u>	session		Ŷ	Ŷ	
		40,000 words) anguages: C,E,F,R,S)				
	(a)	Translation	812 days	251/day	203 800	
	(b)	Revision	268 days	264/day	70 800	
	(c)	Typing	912 days	135/day	123 100	
	(d)	Reproduction	3,660,000 page impressions	.009/page impression	32 900	
	(e)	Distribution	36,600 documents	.045/document	1 700	\$432 300
II.	Meet	ing servicing				
	(a)	Interpretation (languages: C,E,F,R,S)	448 days	302/day	135 400	
	(b)	Supporting staff				
		- Conference officer	28 days	33/day	900	
		- Documents distribution	-			
		clerk	28 days	33/day	900	137 200
III.	In-s	ession				
		0,000 words) anguages: C,E,F,R,S)				
	(a)	Translation	272 days	251/day	68 300	
	(b)	Revision	90 days	264/day	23 800	
	(C)	Typing	306 days	135/day	41 300	
	(d)	Reproduction	1,020,000 page impressions	.009/page impression	9 200	
	(e)	Distribution	20,400 documents	.045/document	900	143 500
IV.	Post	session				
		60,000 words) anguages: A,C,E,F,R,S)				
	(a)	Translation	610 days	251/day	153 100	
	(b)	Revision	203 days	264/day	53 600	
	(c)	Typing	678 days	135/day	91 500	
	(d)	Reproduction	2,560,000 1mpressions	.009/page impression	23 000	
	(e)	Distribution	18,900 documents	.045/document	900	322 100
			Total (I	, II, III and IV)	\$1 035 100
v.	OGS	requirements				
	(a)	Sound engineering			9 600	
	(b)	General operating expenses			3 200	12 800
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	Total Requirement in <i>connexion with inflation</i>				\$1 047 900 125 800	
		req.		Grand tota	-	1 173 700
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 $[\]underline{a}/$. For the purpose of cost estimates, the unit rates for interpretation, translation, revision and typing include the element of travel.

 $[\]underline{b}/$. Portions less than one hundred dollars have been rounded to the nearest hundred dollars.