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PERSONNEL QUESTIONS

Administrative and financial implications of the draft resolution  
contained in document A/C.5/35/L.37/Add.1

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

1. By draft resolution A/C.5/35/L.37/Add.1 the Assembly would request the Secretary-General to establish a committee of governmental experts to evaluate the present structure of the Secretariat in the administrative, finance and personnel areas, which should submit a report thereon prior to the thirty-sixth session of the General Assembly. The draft resolution further requests the Secretary-General to appoint 17 experts through consultations with regional groups and with due regard to equitable geographical distribution.

2. The financial implications of the draft resolution are based on the following assumptions.

A. Conference servicing costs

1. Two weeks of meetings (2 meetings per day) at New York
2. Interpretation in six languages
3. Documentation in six languages relating to.

25 pages - pre-session  
50 pages - in-session  
32 pages - post-session

Based on these assumptions, the conference servicing requirements, details of which may be found in the annex to this document, would be as follows:

Pre-session documentation

(10,000 words)

(languages: A, C, E, F, R, S)

4,32,100

Meeting servicing (including OGS requirements)

(languages: A, C, E, F, R, S)

22,100

In-session documentation

(20,000 words)

(languages: A, C, E, F, R, S)

43,700

Post-session documentation

(12,800 words)

(languages: A, C, E, F, R, S)

28,500

Total

1,36,400

1. Travel and daily subsistence allowance

The Fifth Committee decided at its 56th meeting that, on an exceptional basis, provision be made for the cost of travel and daily subsistence allowance for those members of the Committee not residing in New York. It is estimated in this connexion, an additional requirement in the amount of \$25,000 would arise, based on the assumption that nine members of the Committee do not reside in New York.

3. Conference services requirements as indicated in paragraph 2(A) 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 1991 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.

4. Therefore, should the General Assembly adopt the draft resolution contained in document A/C.5/35/L.37/Add.1, an additional appropriation in the amount of \$25,000 under Section 28 would be required.

Annex

CONFERENCE COSTS

<u>Committee of Governmental Experts</u>	<u>Total Workload</u>	<u>Unit Rate 1/ \$</u>	<u>Total Cost 2/ \$</u>
<u>I. Pre-session</u>			
	(10,000 words) (languages: A,C,E,F,R,S)		
a. Translation	42 days	251/day	10 542
b. Revision	14 days	264/day	3 696
c. Typing	45 days	131/day	6 026
d. Reproduction	167,500 page impres- sions	.009/page impres- sion	1 507
e. Distribution	6,700 documents	.045/document	301 <u>\$ 22 100</u>
<u>II. Meeting servicing</u>			
a. Interpretation	280 days	302/day	84 560
	(languages: A,C,E,F,R,S)		
b. Supporting staff			
.. Conference officer	14 days	33/day	462
.. Documents distribution clerk	14 days	33/day	462 <u>\$ 85 500</u>
<u>III. In-session</u>			
	(20,000 words) (languages: A,C,E,F,R,S)		
a. Translation	84 days	251/day	21 084
b. Revision	28 days	264/day	7 392
c. Typing	92 days	135/day	12 420
d. Reproduction	280,000 page impres- sions	.009/page impres- sion	2 520
e. Distribution	5,600 documents	.045/document	252 <u>\$ 43 700</u>

<u>Committee of Governmental Experts</u>	<u>Total Workload</u>	<u>Unit Rate</u> 1/ \$	<u>Total Cost</u> 2/ \$
IV. <u>Post-session</u>			
(12,800 words)			
(languages: A,C,E,F,R,S)			
a. Translation	54 days	251/day	13 554
b. Revision	18 days	264/day	4 752
c. Typing	59 days	135/day	7 965
d. Reproduction	214,400 page impres- sions	.009/page impres- sion	1 929
e. Distribution	6,700 documents	.045/document	301 \$ 28 500
Total (I, II, III + IV)			\$179 200
<u>OGS requirements</u>			
a. General operating expenses			\$ 6 600
Grand Total			\$186 400

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

2/ Portions less than one hundred dollars have been rounded.