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WORLD DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE

Administrative and financial implications of the draft resolution contained in document A/C.1/36/L.27

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 44th meeting held on 25 November 1981, adopted the draft resolution contained in document A/C.1/36/L.27. It had before it a statement of financial implications (A/C.1/36/L.57).

2. Under the terms of operative paragraph 2 of the draft resolution, the General Assembly would, <u>inter alia</u>, renew the mandates of the <u>Ad Hoc</u> Committee on the World Disarmament Conference.

3. Should the General Assembly adopt the draft resolution contained in document A/C.1/36/L.27, financial implications would arise in respect of conference-servicing costs only.

4. For the purpose of costing, the following assumptions have been used:

(a) The <u>Ad Hoc</u> Committee would hold two sessions in 1982 in New York. The first session would be from 5 through 9 April and the second would be from 23 through 27 August. Each session would last for one week.

(b) Services for pre-session, in-session and post-session documentation and interpretation would be provided in six langauges (Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish).

5. On the basis of the above, conference-servicing costs are estimated at \$449,600 as follows:

I.	Pre-session documentation	\$
	(32,000 words) (languages: A,C,E,F,R,S)	92 700
11.	Meeting servicing (languages of interpretation: A,C,E,F,R,S)	106 600
III.	In-session documentation (48,000 words) (languages: A,C,E,F,R,S)	141 700
IV.	Post-session documentation (32,000 words) (languages: A,C,E,F,R,S)	91 000
v.	OGS requirements	17 600
	Total	449 600

6. The estimated conference servicing costs indicated in this document are based on full costs, i.e. on the assumption that they would be non-absorbable. Towards the close of the present session of the General Assembly, when the pattern of conferences for 1982 is considered, it will be indicated in the consolidated statement of conference-servicing requirements to be submitted at that time, to what extent the costs (\$449,600) in respect of conference servicing dealt with in the present document can be absorbed within existing resources.
