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PROPOSED PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1982-1983

Report of the Committee of Governmental Experts to Evaluate the
Secretariat in the Administrative, Finance and Personnel Areas

Administrative and financial implications of the draft resolution
contained in document A/C.5/36/L.42

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

1. Under the terms of the draft resolution contained in document A/C.5/36/L.42, the General Assembly would, *inter alia*, request the Committee to continue its work, taking into account the relevant report of the JIU with the comments of the Secretary-General thereon, and submit a final report to the General Assembly at its thirty-seventh session.
2. It will be recalled that in operative paragraph 2 of its resolution 35/211 the General Assembly requested the Secretary-General to appoint 17 experts through consultations with regional groups and with due regard to equitable geographical distribution.
3. In the third paragraph of the draft resolution, the Secretary-General would be asked to consult with the Committee prior to its next session on the questions outlined in the Committee's report. On the assumption that, following such consultations, a further session of the Committee would be necessary, financial implications would arise, which are based on the following assumptions:

A. Conference-servicing costs

- (a) The Committee would meet for three weeks in New York and hold two meetings daily;

(b) Interpretation would be provided in six languages (Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish);

(c) Services for 25 pages pre-session, 50 pages in-session and 32 pages post-session documentation would be provided in six languages (Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish).

Based on the above assumptions, the conference-servicing requirements would be as follows:

Committee of Seventeen

	<u>Total Workload</u>	<u>Unit Rate 1/ \$</u>	<u>Total Cost 2/ \$</u>	<u>\$</u>
I. <u>Pre-session</u> (10,000 words) (languages: 6)				
a) Translation	42 days	302/day	12,700	
b) Revision	14 days	315/day	4,400	
c) Typing	46 days	170/day	7,800	
d) Reproduction	167,500 page impressions	.010/page impression	1,700	
e) Distribution	6,700 documents	.050 per document	<u>300</u>	26,900
II. <u>Meeting servicing</u>				
a) Interpretation (languages: 6)	420 days	375/day	157,500	
b) Supporting staff: - conference officer	21 days	39/day	800	
- Documents distribution clerk	21 days	39/day	<u>800</u>	159,100
III. <u>In-session</u> (20,000 words) (languages: 6)				
a) Translation	85 days	302/day	25,700	
b) Revision	28 days	315/day	8,800	
c) Typing	93 days	170/day	15,800	
d) Reproduction	280,000 page impressions	.010 page impression	2,800	
e) Distribution	5,600 documents	.050 per document	<u>300</u>	53,400

	<u>Total</u> <u>Workload</u>	<u>Unit Rate</u> <u>1/</u> \$	<u>Total Cost</u> <u>2/</u> \$ \$	
IV. <u>Post-session</u> (12,800 words) (languages: 6)				
a) Translation	54 days	302/day	16,300	
b) Revision	18 days	315/day	5,700	
c) Typing	59 days	170/day	10,000	
d) Reproduction	214,400 page impressions	.010/page impression	2,100	
e) Distribution	6,700 documents	.050 per document	300	<u>34,400</u>
	Total (I, II, III and IV)			<u>273,800</u>
 <u>OGS requirements</u>				
a) Sound engineering			5,400	
b) General operating expenses			<u>1,800</u>	<u>7,200</u>
		Grand Total		<u>281,000</u>

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

2/ Portions less \$100 have been rounded.

B. Travel and daily subsistence allowance

4. It will be recalled that the Fifth Committee decided at its 56th meeting held on 12 December 1980 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, that an additional requirement in the amount of \$39,900 would arise based on the assumption that nine members of the Committee do not reside in New York.

5. Conference-servicing requirements as indicated in paragraph 3 (A) above are based on full costs, at current rates. As the consolidated statement of conference-servicing requirements contained in document A/C.5/36/105 does not include provision for the meetings of the Committee in 1982, these costs of conference servicing dealt with in the present document will be reported in the context of the first performance report for the biennium 1982-1983.

6. Therefore, should the General Assembly adopt the draft resolution contained in document A/C.5/36/L.42, an additional appropriation in the amount of \$39,900 would be required under section 28A of the programme budget for the biennium 1982-1983.