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PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1982-1983

REVIEW AND IMPLEMENTATION OF CONCLUDING DOCUMENT OF THE TWELFTH SPECIAL SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

United Nations programme of fellowships on disarmament

Administrative and financial implications of the draft resolution contained in document A/C.1/37/L.10

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 26 November 1982, adopted the draft resolution contained in document A/C.1/37/L.10. It had before it a statement of financial implications (A/C.1/37/L.69).

2. Under the terms of operative paragraph 1 of the draft resolution contained in document A/C.1/37/L.10, the General Assembly would "request the Secretary-General to make necessary arrangements for the implementation of the programme for 1983, in accordance with the guidelines established for it and to submit a progress report thereon to the General Assembly at its thirty-eighth session".

3. At its twelfth special session, the General Assembly decided, <u>inter alia</u>, to continue the programme and to increase the number of fellowships from 20 to 25. The Secretary-General was also requested to submit to the General Assembly at its thirty-seventh session the financial implications of awarding 25 fellowships for inclusion in the regular budget of the United Nations, taking into account the

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necessary staffing requirements to meet the level of activities and structure of the programme and bearing in mind the savings that can be made within the existing budgetary appropriations.

4. Under the terms of operative paragraph 2 of the draft resolution the Secretary-General is also requested "to provide adequate staffing at the appropriate level to meet the requirements of the increased activities and the expanded structure of the programme".

5. The Secretary-General estimates expenditures related to the decision of awarding five additional fellowships to be included in the regular budget of the United Nations for 1983 in the amount of \$89,000 including stipends and travel costs.

6. In order to meet the requirements of the increased activities and the expanded structure of the programme, the Secretary-General proposes the establishment of a P-3 post for a political officer to assist the co-ordinator of the programme in the organization and implementation of the lecture and seminar series of the programme and the establishment of a G-5 post for an administrative and research assist in the complex administrative matters and also to act as research assistant. The cost of these posts would amount in 1983 to \$45,300 for salary and common staff costs. In addition, common services requirements would amount to \$9,100.

7. The total estimated cost of implementing the resolution, as indicated above, is 143,400. Therefore, should the General Assembly adopt the draft resolution contained in document A/C.1/37/L.10, an additional appropriation would be required under section 2 (134,300) for fellowships, salary and common staff costs and under section 28 (9,100) for common services costs. In addition an amount of 10,600 would be required for staff assessment in section 31, offset by an equivalent amount in income section 1.
