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WORLD DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE

Administrative and financial implications of the draft resolution
contained in document A/C.1/37/L.28

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 45th meeting held on 26 November 1982, adopted the draft resolution contained in document A/C.1/37/L.28. It had before it a statement of financial implications (A/C.1/37/L.71).
2. Under the terms of operative paragraph 2 of the draft resolution contained in document A/C.1/37/L.28 of 15 November 1982, the General Assembly would renew the mandate of the Ad Hoc Committee on the World Disarmament Conference.
3. Should the General Assembly adopt the draft resolution contained in document A/C.1/37/L.28, 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 Ad Hoc Committee would hold two sessions in 1983 in New York. The first from 4 to 8 April 1983 and the second from 5 to 8 July 1983.
 - (b) Services would be provided in five languages (Arabic, English, French, Russian and Spanish) for the in-session documentation and in six languages (Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish) for post-session documentation. Interpretation would be provided in five languages (A,E,F,R,S).

5. On the basis of the above, conference-servicing costs are estimated at \$159,100 as follows:

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I. Pre-session documentation	-
II. Meeting servicing (Languages of interpretation: A,E,F,R,S)	64 900
III. In-session documentation (46 000 words) (Languages: A,E,F,R,S)	31 400
IV. Post-session documentation (20 000 words) (Languages: A,C,E,F,R,S)	47 200
V. OGS requirements	<u>15 600</u>
TOTAL	<u><u>159 100</u></u>

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 1983 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 (\$159,100) in respect of conference-servicing dealt with in the present document can be absorbed within existing resources.
