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## PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1988-1989

Revised estimates resulting from resolutions and decisions  
of the Economic and Social Council at its first and second  
regular sessions, 1988

Report of the Secretary-General

1. At its first and second regular sessions, 1988, held in New York and Geneva respectively, the Economic and Social Council adopted resolutions and took decisions, the implementation of which would involve additional expenditure by the United Nations in 1988, 1989, 1990 and, in the case of decision 1988/116 of 25 May 1988, in 1992. In accordance with paragraph 3 of rule 31 of the rules of procedure of the Council, the Secretary-General submitted separate cost estimates in respect of each of the proposals prior to their adoption. In cases where the proposals originated in one of the subsidiary bodies of the Council, similar action was taken at the time the initial proposals were made.
2. The Council was informed that the programme budget implications of all the resolutions and decisions would be reviewed in their totality and that, to the extent required, revised estimates for the biennium 1988-1989 would be submitted to the General Assembly at its forty-third session. Requirements for 1990 and later years would be included in the Secretary-General's proposed programme budget for the relevant biennium.
3. The total estimated costs in respect of requirements arising out of resolutions and decisions adopted by the Council during its regular sessions in 1988 are summarized, for information purposes, in the annex to the present report.

\* A/43/150.

The treatment of these costs, which cover both conference-servicing and other requirements, is explained in paragraphs 4 and 5. Further details are provided only in those cases where additional resources are being requested.

4. The estimates of conference-servicing requirements amount to \$5,471,100 for the biennium 1988-1989, \$361,100 for 1990 and \$521,900 for 1992. In accordance with established practice these requirements were calculated on a full-cost basis for information purposes. It will be recalled that the current appropriation for conference-servicing under section 29 of the programme budget for the biennium 1988-1989 contains provision not only for meetings that were known at the time of budget preparation, but also for a number of meetings that were expected to result from decisions of policy-making organs during the course of the biennium, such as those included in the present document. Therefore, should the General Assembly approve the resolutions and decisions adopted by the Council in 1988, no additional resources would be requested under section 29 at the present time. In accordance with past practice, any actual additional costs that might be incurred in connection with the implementation of these resolutions and decisions would be reported to the General Assembly in the context of the final performance report on the programme budget for the current biennium under section 29.

5. The estimates of requirements for items other than conference-servicing amount to \$3,518,100 for the biennium 1988-1989, \$280,400 for 1990 and \$21,800 for 1992. No provision for the 1990 requirements was made in the preliminary estimate of resources presented in the proposed programme budget outline for the biennium 1990-1991. Therefore, in accordance with paragraph 7 of document A/43/524, it is proposed that the amount of \$280,400 should be considered as additional to that estimate.

6. So far as the current biennium is concerned, it is expected that \$562,000 of the amount required will be provided from extrabudgetary resources under section 20 for the implementation of resolutions 1988/9 and 1988/15, both of 25 May 1988. Another \$2,373,000 is expected to be absorbed within resources already appropriated by the General Assembly at its forty-second session under the following sections of the budget:

<u>Section</u>	<u>Amount absorbed</u>	<u>Resolution or decision to be implemented</u>
	\$	
6B	38 300	1988/26 and 1988/48
13	107 600	1988/11
20	33 200	1988/9 and 1988/14
23	1 726 500	1988/4, 1988/38, 1988/107, 1988/126, 1988/130, 1988/135-1988/140 and 1988/142
24	111 500	1988/131-1988/134
28C	336 600	1988/124
28G and H	19 300	1988/107

7. The remaining \$583,100, which was identified in the statements of programme budget implications referenced in the annex to the present document, has been revised downward (see para. 12) and an amount of \$550,800 is now requested on a non-recurrent basis under sections 1, 6B, 9 and 19 of the programme budget for the biennium 1988-1989. That amount relates to the following resolutions: 1988/25 of 26 May 1988 on the situation of Palestinian women, 1988/54 of 26 July 1988 on assistance to the Palestinian people, 1988/56 of 27 July 1988 on activities of transnational corporations in South Africa and Namibia and 1988/62 of 27 July 1988 on the resumed session of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination (CPC). The additional requirements are detailed below.

**Resolution 1988/25. Situation of Palestinian Women**

**Section 6B. Centre for Social Development and Humanitarian Affairs (\$53,000)**

8. By paragraph 4 of its resolution 1988/25, the Council requested the Secretary-General, as a matter of urgency, to send a mission composed of experts on the status of women to investigate the situation of Palestinian women and children, in the light of recent tragic developments in the occupied Palestinian territories. No provision was made in the programme budget for the biennium 1988-1989 for this activity and, consequently, an additional appropriation of \$53,000 is requested to cover the following requirements:

	\$
(a) Fees and travel costs for three experts	29 000
(b) Travel and subsistence for two staff members of the Centre for Social Development and Humanitarian Affairs	4 800
(c) Travel and subsistence of witnesses	2 000
(d) Travel and subsistence of two Arabic/English interpreters	4 700
(e) General operating expenses:	
(Local transportation, communications, freight charges, rental of meeting rooms, miscellaneous supplies and services)	12 500
Total	<u>53 000</u>

Resolution 1988/54. Assistance to the Palestinian people

Section 19. United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (\$127,500)

9. By paragraph 3 of its resolution 1988/54, the Council requested the Secretary-General to charge the United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (Habitat) with supervising the development of the programme of economic and social assistance to the Palestinian people to which reference was made in General Assembly resolution 42/166 of 11 December 1987, and to provide it with the funds needed to engage 20 experts in order to prepare an adequate programme.

10. No provision was made for this activity in the programme budget for the biennium 1988-1989 and an additional appropriation of \$127,500 is requested to cover the following requirements:

	\$
(a) Fees for 20 experts	100 000
(b) Fee for a consultant/team leader	6 000
(c) Travel and subsistence for five trips outside the region by the consultants	10 000
(d) General temporary assistance for typing and processing 500 pages of documentation	<u>11 500</u>
Total	<u>127 500</u>

Resolution 1988/56. Activities of transnational corporations in South Africa and Namibia

Section 9. United Nations Centre on Transnational Corporations (\$271,600)

11. By paragraph 9 of its resolution 1988/56, the Council requested the Secretary-General to take all necessary steps to establish by 1989 a panel of eminent persons to conduct public hearings in Europe on the activities of transnational corporations in South Africa and Namibia, with a view to further mobilizing public opinion to induce home Governments and transnational corporations to cease any kind of collaboration with the South African régime. Paragraph 10 (a) to (f) contains further requests to the Secretary-General including, *inter alia*, the preparation of an updated study on the activities of transnational corporations dealing in particular with their disinvestment programmes. No provision was made in the programme budget for these activities and, consequently, an additional appropriation of \$271,600 is requested to cover the requirements listed below:

	\$
(a) General temporary assistance	42 200
(b) Consultant fees	48 000
(c) Travel of representatives and participants	162 300
(d) Travel of staff	19 100
Total	271 600

12. It should be noted that the Council's decision to hold the public hearings in Europe, rather than at the headquarters of the Centre on Transnational Corporations in New York, will necessitate an exception to General Assembly resolution 40/243 of 18 December 1985, paragraph 4. Should the Assembly decide to hold the hearings in New York, the requirements for travel would be reduced by \$47,700, but those for conference-servicing would be increased by \$60,800.

Resolution 1988/62. Resumed session of the Committee for  
Programme and Co-ordination

Section 1. Overall policy-making, direction  
and co-ordination (\$98,700)

13. By paragraph 2 of its resolution 1988/62, the Council authorized CPC to resume its twenty-eighth session in New York from 6 to 19 September 1988 in order to consider pending items on its agenda. On the assumption that approximately 70 per cent (i.e. 24) of the Committee's members would avail themselves of the provisions of paragraph 12 of General Assembly resolution 31/93 of 14 December 1976, the Committee was informed that \$131,000 would be required to cover the costs of travel and per diem for 15 days. However, as the first part of the Committee's 1988 session was reduced from the budgeted six weeks to five weeks, thereby saving seven days of per diem, the net additional requirement for per diem at the resumed session is only eight days at \$4,610 per day (i.e. a total of \$36,880). The travel component remains unchanged at \$61,800 and, therefore, an additional appropriation of \$98,700 is requested.

Summary

14. In summary, the requests contained in the four resolutions detailed above would require the following additional appropriations in section 1 (Overall policy-making, direction and co-ordination), section 6B (Centre for Social Development and Humanitarian Affairs), section 9 (Transnational corporations) and section 19 (United Nations Centre for Human Settlements) of the programme budget for the biennium 1988-1989:

	<u>Section 1</u>	<u>Section 6B</u>	<u>Section 9</u>	<u>Section 19</u>
	\$	\$	\$	\$
General temporary assistance	-	-	42 400	11 500
Consultants fees and travel	-	29 000	48 000	116 000
Travel of representatives and participants	98 700	2 000	162 300	-
Travel of staff	-	9 500	19 100	-
General operating expenses	-	12 500	-	-
Total requested	<u>98 700</u>	<u>53 000</u>	<u>271 600</u>	<u>127 500</u>

15. Furthermore, an additional appropriation of \$10,900 would be required under section 31 (Staff assessment), offset by an identical amount under income section 1 (Income from staff assessment).

Annex

SUMMARY OF ESTIMATES OF PROGRAMME BUDGET IMPLICATIONS OF RESOLUTIONS A.D. DECISIONS ADOPTED BY THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL DURING ITS FIRST AND SECOND REGULAR SESSIONS OF 1988

(In United States dollars)

Resolution/ Decision number	Title	Statement of Programme Budget implications	Conference-servicing costs				Other costs			
			1988 \$	1989 \$	1990 \$	Total 1988-1990 \$	1988 \$	1989 \$	1990 \$	Total 1988-1990 \$
1988/4	International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights	E/1988/L.18/ Add.1	-	67 000	67 000	134 000	-	6 500	6 500	13 000
1988/8	Preparation of an international convention against illicit traffic in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances	E/1988/13	2 358 100	-	-	2 358 100	-	-	-	-
1988/9	International Conference on Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking	E/1988/13	-	280 800	-	280 800	-	282 000	-	282 000
1988/11	Co-ordination of drug control activities in the African region	E/1988/13	-	-	-	-	35 900	71 700	-	107 600
1988/14	Enlargement of the Sub-Commission on Illicit Drug Traffic and Related Matters in the Near and Middle East	E/1988/13	-	-	-	-	-	13 200	-	13 200
1988/15	Meetings of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, Asia and the Pacific, Africa, and Latin America and the Caribbean	E/1988/13	126 800	126 800	126 800	380	150 000	150 000	150 000	450 000
1988/19	Session of the Commission on the Status of Women in 1990 to review and appraise progress in the implementation of the Nairobi Forward-looking strategies for the Advancement of Women	E/1988/15/ Add.1	-	-	167 300	167 300	-	-	2 700	2 700
1988/25	Situation of Palestinian women	E/1988/15/ Add.1	26 000	-	-	26 000	53 000	-	-	53 000

Resolution/ decision number	Title	Statement of programme budget implications	Conference-servicing costs					Other costs				
			1988 \$	1989 \$	1990 \$	Total 1988-1990 \$	1988 \$	1989 \$	1990 \$	Total 1988-1990 \$		
1988/26	Elimination of discrimination against women in accordance with the aims of the Convention on All Forms of Racial Discrimination against Women	E/1988/15/ Add.1	-	-	-	-	-	11 300	11 300	-	-	22 600
1988/38	Summary of arbitrary executions	E/1988/12	-	-	-	-	67 400	70 000	2 500	-	-	140 000
1988/39	Question of a draft declaration on the right and responsibility of individuals, groups and organs of society to promote and protect universally recognized human rights and fundamental freedoms	E/1988/12	-	70 700	-	70 700	-	-	-	-	-	-
1988/40	Question of a convention on the rights of the child	E/1988/12	166 400	-	-	166 400	-	-	-	-	-	-
1988/48	Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women	E/1988/L.19	-	253 500	-	253 500	-	27 000	-	-	-	27 000
1988/54	Assistance to the Palestinian people	E/1988/C.3/ L.13	-	-	-	-	-	127 500	-	-	-	127 500
1988/56	Activities of transnational corporations in South Africa and Namibia	E/1988/17	-	378 700	-	378 700	-	271 600 a/	-	-	-	271 600
1988/62	Report of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination	A/43/16 (Part I)/ Add.1, para. 11	265 600	-	-	265 600	131 000	-	-	-	-	131 000
<u>Decision</u> <u>No.</u>												
1988/107	Question of enforced or involuntary disappearances	E/1988/12	177 600	180 700	-	358 300	389 000	492 700	103 600	-	-	985 300
1988/116	Fifth United Nations Conference on the Standardization of Geographical Names	E/1988/22/ Add.1 b/	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-



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			1988 \$	1989 \$	1990 \$	Total 1988-1990 \$	1988 \$	1989 \$	1990 \$	Total 1988-1990 \$			
1988/118	Duration and provisional agenda of the thirty-third session of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs	E/1988/13	-	24 800	-	24 800	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1988/124	Mandate of the office of the Co-ordinator for the Improvement of the Status of Women in the Secretariat	E/1988/15/ Add.1	-	-	-	-	109 900	226 700	-	-	336 600	-	-
1988/126	Use of mercenaries as a means of impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination	E/1988/12	-	-	-	-	70 900	17 200	-	-	88 100	-	-
1988/127	General decision concerning the establishment of a working group of the Commission on Human Rights to examine situations referred to it under Economic and Social Council resolution 1503 (XLVIII) and those situations of which the Commission is seized	E/1988/12	-	47 700	-	47 700	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1988/128	The right to development	E/1988/12	-	55 700	-	55 700	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1988/130	Torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment: report of the Special Rapporteur	E/1988/12	-	-	-	-	56 900	58 700	1 800	-	117 400	-	-
1988/131	Assistance to Guatemala in the field of human rights	E/1988/12	-	-	-	-	23 400	4 300	-	-	27 700	-	-
1988/132	Assistance to Haiti in the field of human rights	E/1988/12	-	-	-	-	12 200	2 100	-	-	14 300	-	-
1988/133	Situation in Equatorial Guinea	E/1988/12	-	-	-	-	18 500	3 800	-	-	22 300	-	-
1988/134	Study of the significance of treaties, agreements and other constructive arrangements for the promotion of the human rights and fundamental freedoms of indigenous populations	E/1988/12	31 400	-	-	31 400	47 200	-	-	-	47 200	-	-

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			1988 \$	1989 \$	1990 \$	Total 1988-1990 \$	1988 \$	1989 \$	1990 \$	Total 1988-1990 \$
1988/135	Situation of human rights in El Salvador	E/1988/12	-	-	-	-	55 300	1 800	-	57 100
1988/136	Question of human rights and fundamental freedoms in Afghanistan	E/1988/12	-	-	-	-	54 800	2 500	-	57 300
1988/137	Situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran	E/1988/12	-	-	-	-	61 300	3 500	-	64 800
1988/138	Prevention of the disappearance of children	E/1988/12	-	-	-	-	10 000	-	-	10 000
1988/139	Appointment of a delegation in accordance with Commission on Human Rights decision 1988/106	E/1988/12	76 500	59 900	-	136 400	83 000	19 300	-	102 300
1988/140	Question of human rights in Chile	E/1988/12	-	-	-	-	105 200	3 500	-	108 700
1988/141	Organization of the work of the Commission on Human Rights	E/1988/12	-	274 300	-	274 300	-	-	-	-
1988/142	Implementation of the Declaration on the Elimination of All Forms of Intolerance and of Discrimination based on Religion or Belief	E/1988/12	-	-	-	-	57 200	59 100	1 900	118 200
1988/154	Arrangements for the mid- term review and appraisal of the United Nations Programme of Action for African Economic Recovery and Development 1986-1990	E/1988/L.37	422 100	-	-	422 100	-	-	-	-
Grand total			3 650 500	1 820 600	361 100	5 832 200	1 592 100	1 926 000	280 400	3 798 500

	1988-1989	1990	1992 c/	Total
Summary: Conference-servicing costs	\$ 5 471 100	\$ 361 100	\$ 521 900	\$ 6 354 100
Other costs	3 518 100	280 400	21 800	3 820 300
Grand total	8 989 200	641 500	543 700	10 174 400

a/ In addition, a programme of publicity for the hearings costing approximately \$120,000 will be presented for approval in 1989.  
b/ Estimates of \$543,700 required in 1992, \$521,900 for conference-servicing costs and \$21,800 for other costs.  
c/ See note b/ relating to resolution 1988/116 in 1992.