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REPORT OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

PROPOSED PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1984-1985

Administrative and financial implications of draft resolution II recommended by the Second Committee in part I of its report (A/38/701, para. 34) and of draft resolutions II and III and draft decision I recommended by the Second Committee in part II of its report (A/38/701/Add.1, paras. 28 and 29)

Report of the Fifth Committee

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A. Permanent sovereignty over national resources in the occupied Palestinian and other Arab territories

1. At its 44th meeting, on 22 November 1983, the Fifth Committee, pursuant to rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, considered the statement by the Secretary-General (A/C.5/38/47) on the administrative and financial implications of draft resolution II recommended by the Second Committee in part I of its report (A/38/701, para. 34). The recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions were presented orally by its Chairman.
2. Statements and comments made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary record (A/C.5/38/SR.44).

DECISION OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE

3. The Fifth Committee decided, by 78 votes to 2, with 18 abstentions, to inform the General Assembly that, should it adopt draft resolution II recommended by the

Second Committee in part I of its report (A/38/701, para. 34), an additional appropriation of \$35,700 would be required under section 7 (Department of Technical Co-operation for Development) of the programme budget for the biennium 1984-1985.

4. A statement in explanation of vote was made by the representative of Greece.

B. Transport and Communications Decade in Africa

5. At its 68th and 69th meetings, on 16 December 1983, the Fifth Committee, pursuant to rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, considered the statement by the Secretary-General (A/C.5/38/94) on the administrative and financial implications of draft resolution II recommended by the Second Committee in part II of its report (A/38/701/Add.1, para. 28). The recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions were presented orally by its Chairman.

6. Statements and comments made in the course of the Committee's consideration of this item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/38/SR.68 and 69).

DECISION OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE

7. The Fifth Committee decided, by a recorded vote of 83 to 9, to inform the General Assembly that, should it adopt draft resolution II recommended by the Second Committee in part II of its report (A/38/701/Add.1, para. 28), additional appropriations in the amount of \$1,000,000 would be required under section 13 (Economic Commission for Africa) of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1984-1985, on the understanding that the implementation of the activities foreseen in the draft resolution would be the subject of a report, to be submitted through the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination, to the General Assembly at its thirty-ninth session. The voting was as follows:

In favour: Afghanistan, Algeria, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bahamas, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belgium, Benin, Bolivia, Botswana, Brazil, Burma, Burundi, Canada, Chile, China, Cuba, Democratic Yemen, Denmark, Ecuador, Egypt, Ethiopia, Finland, France, Germany, Federal Republic of, Ghana, Greece, Guinea, India, Indonesia, Iraq, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Ivory Coast, Jamaica, Japan, Kenya, Kuwait, Lebanon, Lesotho, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Malaysia, Maldives, Mali, Mauritania, Mexico, Morocco, Mozambique, Netherlands, New Zealand, Niger, Nigeria, Norway, Oman, Panama, Philippines, Romania, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Somalia, Spain, Sri Lanka, Suriname, Swaziland, Sweden, Thailand, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Cameroon, Venezuela, Yugoslavia, Zaire, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

Against: Bulgaria, Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic, Czechoslovakia, German Democratic Republic, Hungary, Poland, Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United States of America.

C. Development of the energy resources of developing countries

8. At its 67th meeting, on 15 December 1983, the Fifth Committee, pursuant to rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, considered the statement by the Secretary-General (A/C.5/38/96) on the programme, administrative and financial implications of draft resolution III recommended by the Second Committee in part II of its report (A/38/701/Add.1, para. 28). The recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions were orally presented by its Chairman.

9. Statements and comments made in the course of the Committee's consideration of this item are reflected in the relevant summary record (A/C.5/38/SR.67).

DECISION OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE

10. The Fifth Committee decided, without objection, to inform the General Assembly that, should it adopt draft resolution III recommended by the Second Committee in part II of its report (A/38/701/Add.1, para. 28), no additional appropriation would be required. The costs of implementing the draft resolution would be absorbed without modification of the existing programme.

D. Special session of the Commission on Transnational Corporations

11. At its 55th meeting, on 5 December 1983, the Fifth Committee, pursuant to rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, considered the statement by the Secretary-General (A/C.5/38/61) on the administrative and financial implications of draft decision I recommended by the Second Committee in part II of its report (A/38/701/Add.1, para. 29). The report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions thereon was presented orally by its Chairman.

12. Statements and comments made in the course of the Committee's consideration of this item are reflected in the relevant summary record (A/C.5/38/SR.55).

DECISION OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE

13. The Fifth Committee decided, without objection, to inform the General Assembly that, should it adopt draft decision I recommended by the Second Committee in part II of its report (A/38/701/Add.1, para. 29), conference-servicing requirements would arise which are estimated, on a full-cost basis, at \$125,000. The actual additional appropriations that might be required in that respect would be considered in the context of the consolidated statement of conference-servicing requirements to be submitted at a later stage during the current session.
