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Draft plan of activities for the period 1985-1989 in accordance with General Assembly resolution 38/14

Report of the Secretary-General

Addendum

Programme budget implications of document A/39/167-E/1984/33

Statement submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 31 of the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council

1. The report of the Secretary-General on a draft plan of activities for the period 1985-1989 in connection with the Second Decade to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination is contained in document A/39/167-E/1984/33. In paragraph 33 of that document it is suggested that the General Assembly may wish to mandate the following activities to be carried out in 1985 and to provide the resources therefor:

(a) An international seminar on community relations commissions and their functions which could be held at the site of one of the regional commissions;

(b) Preparation and publication of a global compilation of national legislation against racial discrimination;

(c) A study on the role of private group action to combat racism and racial discrimination, to be prepared by the Secretary-General and to be submitted to the General Assembly through the Economic and Social Council;

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(d) The preparation, publication and distribution on as wide a basis as possible of pamphlets on problems of racial discrimination encountered by persons living under the <u>apartheid</u> régime, as well as on the promotion of tolerance and harmony with regard to immigrants, minorities and indigenous populations and peoples.

2. Should the Economic and Social Council decide to recommend to the General Assembly that the above activities be implemented in 1985 and should the General Assembly approve them, the estimated additional costs that might arise, and the assumptions on which they are based, are as set out below.

International seminar

3. On the assumption that the seminar would be held at Bangkok over a period of 10 working days and be attended by 32 participants and three representatives of the African national liberation movements recognized by the Organization of African Unity in accordance with General Assembly resolution 3280 (XXIX), the relevant costs to be financed under section 23 (Human rights) are estimated at \$118,300 for 1985 as detailed below:

Convening of an international seminar on community relations commissions and their functions (two weeks at Bangkok)

	1985 (US dollars)
Travel and subsistence of participants	
Travel Subsistence	52 500 40 000
Travel and subsistence of six staff members from the Centre for Human Rights (one reresentative of Secretary-General, three substantive officers and two secretaries	
Travel	13 800
Subsistence	9 000
Consultants	
Fees for background papers (3 x \$1,000)	3 000
	<u>118 300</u>

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4. Conference-servicing costs, to be financed under section 29, are estimated on a full-cost basis at \$529,500 for 1985, broken down as follows:

	1985 (US dollars)
Pre-session documentation (100 pages, 5 documents)	55 400
Meetings servicing 20 meetings	103 100
In-session documentation (60 pages, 4 documents)	63 000
Post-session documentation (32 pages, 1 document)	20 000
Requirements of the Office of General Services	4 300
Travel of 51 staff members of the Department of Conference Services	283 700
	<u>529 500</u>

<u>Global compilation of national legislation against</u> racial discrimination

5. In order to obtain the necessary expertise to prepare this compilation, it will be necessary to recruit a consultant at the P-4 level for a period of six months. Accordingly, the relevant costs to be financed under section 23 are estimated at \$36,000 for 1985.

Study on the role of private group action to combat racism and racial discrimination

6. The proposed study will be prepared by the Centre for Human Rights using resources already provided under programme budget section 23 for the biennium 1984-1985.

Preparation, publication and distribution of pamphlets on problems of racial discrimination

7. The Department of Public Information estimates that the proposed information activities can be implemented from within existing resources under programme budget section 27 (Public information) for the biennium 1984-1985.

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8. In summary, should the Economic and Social Council and General Assembly approve the activities suggested in paragraph 33 of document A/39/167-E/1984/33, additional resources estimated at \$154,300 under section 23 (Human rights) and \$529,500 under section 29 (Conference Services) would be required in the biennium 1984-1985. The cost of activities that would be undertaken during the period 1986 to 1989 would be dealt with in the programme budget proposals for the biennium 1986-1987 and 1988-1989.
