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INCENDIARY AND OTHER SPECIFIC CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS WHICH MAY
BE THE SUBJECT OF PROHIBITIONS OR RESTRICTIONS OF USE FOR
HUMANITARIAN REASONS

PROPOSED PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1978-1979

Administrative and financial implications of the draft resolution
recommended by the First Committee (A/32/369, para. 8)

Report of the Fifth Committee

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Socialist Republic)

1. At its 60th and 63rd meetings, on 9 and 14 December 1977, respectively, 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.5/32/58 and Corr.1) on the administrative and financial implications of the draft resolution recommended by the First Committee (A/32/369, para. 8).
2. In his statement (A/C.5/32/58 and Corr.1), the Secretary-General indicated that the financial implications of the draft resolution (A/32/369, para. 8) would amount to \$686,700. This amount would arise if no conference servicing could be provided from within existing resources for the preparatory conference for the United Nations Conference on Prohibitions or Restrictions of Use of Certain Conventional Weapons, which may be Deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects. The Secretary-General indicated that he would report later in the current session of the General Assembly how much of the costs of servicing the preparatory conference could be absorbed and whether additional appropriations would be required.
3. The Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions recommended that the Fifth Committee inform the General Assembly that, should it adopt the draft resolution recommended by the First Committee (A/32/369, para. 8), conference servicing would need to be provided in 1978 for the preparatory conference at an

estimated cost of \$686,700, to be reviewed in the consolidated statement of conference-servicing costs for 1978, which the Secretary-General would be submitting towards the close of the current session of the Assembly; and that the requirements in 1979 relating to the United Nations Conference on Prohibitions or Restrictions of Use of Certain Conventional Weapons, which may be Deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects would be subject to a separate submission by the Secretary-General to the Assembly at its thirty-third session.

4. Comments made in the course of the discussion on the item are reflected in the summary records of the meetings (A/C.5/32/SR.60 and 63).

DECISION OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE

5. The Fifth Committee agreed, without objection, to inform the General Assembly that, should it adopt the draft resolution recommended by the First Committee (A/32/369, para. 8), conference-servicing costs not exceeding \$686,700 would arise in respect of the preparatory conference for 1978, that this amount would be considered in the context of the consolidated statement on conference-servicing costs at a later stage and that the requirements for the United Nations Conference on Prohibitions or Restrictions of Use of Certain Conventional Weapons, which may be Deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects would be submitted to the General Assembly at its thirty-third session.
