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REFUGEES IN THE NEAR EAST

PROPOSED PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1978-1979

Administrative and financial implications of draft resolution D recommended
by the Special Political Committee (A/32/351, para. 19)

Report of the Fifth Committee

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1. At its 60th meeting, on 9 December 1977, 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.5/32/76) on the administrative and financial implications of draft resolution D recommended by the Special Political Committee (A/32/351, para. 19). Under the terms of the draft resolution the General Assembly would:

(a) Request the Working Group to continue its efforts, in co-operation with the Secretary-General and the Commissioner-General, for the financing of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East for a further period of one year;

(b) Request the Secretary-General to provide the necessary services and assistance to the Working Group for the conduct of its work.

2. In his statement, the Secretary-General indicated that the financial implications of the draft resolution would, on a full cost basis, amount to \$14,250 in conference servicing costs and \$7,400 in travel and subsistence of the Chairman or a representative of the Working Group. The statement further indicated that the amount of \$14,250 in respect of conference servicing costs would be reviewed in the consolidated statement to be prepared towards the end of the current session of the General Assembly and that what was required at this time was

the amount of \$7,400 under section 2A of the programme budget for the biennium 1978-1979.

3. In an oral statement, the Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions informed the Fifth Committee that the Advisory Committee concurred with the estimates prepared by the Secretary-General and recommended that the amounts of \$14,250 in respect of conference servicing costs and \$7,400 in respect of travel, subsistence and miscellaneous expenses for the Chairman or a representative of the Working Group should be absorbed within available resources in the programme budget for the biennium 1978-1979.

DECISION OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE

4. The Fifth Committee agreed, without objection, to accept the recommendation of the Advisory Committee and to inform the General Assembly that, should it approve the draft resolution recommended by the Special Political Committee (A/32/351, para. 19, draft resolution D), no additional appropriations would be required.
