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PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1976-1977

Revised estimates resulting from decisions of the Economic and
Social Council at its sixtieth and sixty-first sessions

Sixteenth report of the Advisory Committee on
Administrative and Budgetary Questions

1. The Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions has considered the Secretary-General's revised estimates arising from certain decisions taken by the Economic and Social Council at its sixtieth and sixty-first sessions (A/C.5/31/23 and Corr.1). ^{1/} The additional amount requested by the Secretary-General for the biennium 1976-1977 totals \$1,037,020 gross, or \$936,500 net of staff assessment, for requirements other than those for conference servicing. The Secretary-General estimates the full potential conference servicing costs at \$687,130 (annex II) and indicates in paragraph 5 of his report that the net conference servicing costs will be determined, and included in a consolidated statement to be submitted towards the close of the current session of the General Assembly.

2. The following table gives a breakdown of the Secretary-General's revised estimates by section as contained in document A/C.5/31/23 and Corr.1.

^{1/} In paragraphs 2 to 4 of the report the Secretary-General indicates that revised estimates relating to other items (UNCTAD, transnational corporations, Conference on Science and Technology for Development) will be reported on at a later stage.

	<u>Revised estimates</u> (excluding conference servicing costs)			<u>Conference servicing costs</u>		
Regular budget	1976	1977	1976-1977	1976	1977	1976-1977
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Section 1	114.1	258.5	372.6	-	-	-
Section 4	152.7	176.4	329.1	9.3	507.0	516.3
Section 5A	-	33.1	33.1	-	-	-
Section 14	15.0	33.5	48.5	-	-	-
Section 18	123.5	29.7	153.2	53.0	117.8	170.8
Total	405.3	531.2	936.5	62.3	624.8	687.1

Section 1. Over-all policy-making, direction and co-ordination

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Assistance to Mozambique

3. Under this heading, the Secretary-General requests \$114,100 in 1976 and \$169,000 in 1977, i.e. a total of \$283,100 for the biennium, for co-ordination and mobilization of economic assistance to Mozambique. The request relates to Economic and Social Council resolution 1987 (LX) of 11 May 1976, paragraph 3 of which requests "the United Nations, all its organizations and the specialized agencies to make every effort to assist Mozambique"; paragraph 6 of the resolution welcomes "the arrangements made by the Secretary-General to establish machinery at Maputo and at United Nations Headquarters to co-ordinate the activities of the United Nations and the specialized agencies and to be the channel of communications between the Government of Mozambique and the United Nations system".

4. The amount of \$114,100 requested by the Secretary-General for 1976 was authorized by the Advisory Committee in July 1976 under the terms of paragraph 1 of General Assembly resolution 3540 (XXX) on unforeseen and extraordinary expenses for the biennium 1976-1977. The Committee recalls that \$72,100 of that amount was earmarked for temporary assistance at Headquarters calculated on the basis of one joint co-ordinator at the D-2 level for seven months, one economist/programmer at the P-5 level for six months, one statistical clerk (G-5) and one secretary (General Service) for seven months. The amount requested for 1977 shows an increase of \$54,900 over the current year, attributable mainly to the Secretary-General's plan to retain the staffing arrangements at Headquarters and to add one P-4 post in Maputo in 1977 (A/C.5/31/23, annex I, para. 1.3).

5. In response to inquiries the Committee was informed that the Secretary-General has not made full use in 1976 of the temporary assistance credits referred to in paragraph 4 above, with consequential savings of \$43,100. On the other hand, the

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initial request for supplies and equipment has been revised upward to include \$15,000 for telecommunication equipment to provide for a voice and teleprinter link between Maputo and Lusaka. The Committee was also informed that the joint co-ordinator was appointed as a consultant at a rate of \$3,000 gross per month exclusive of travel and was expected to serve for five months in 1976 and for six months in 1977. The following table shows the estimated expenditure for 1976 and estimated requirements for 1977 as reported to the Advisory Committee by the representatives of the Secretary-General.

<u>Section 1 - Assistance to Mozambique</u>	<u>Initial request for 1976</u>	<u>Estimated expenditure for 1976</u>	<u>Increase (decrease)</u>	<u>Estimates for 1977</u>
	\$	\$	\$	\$
(a) Temporary assistance	72,100 ^{a/}	29,000 ^{b/}	(43,100)	134,000 ^{c/}
(b) Travel	30,000	30,200	200	29,000
(c) Communications	10,000	5,000	(5,000)	5,000
(d) Supplies and equipment	2,000	17,000	15,000	1,000
Total	114,100	81,200	(32,900)	169,000

a/ 1 D-2, 1 P-5, 1 G-5, 1 G-4.

b/ 1 consultant, 2 G-3.

c/ 1 consultant, 1 P-5, 1 G-5, 1 G-4, 1 P-4 for Maputo.

6. The Advisory Committee accepts the Secretary-General's amended estimate of \$81,200 for 1976 and the estimate of \$169,000 for 1977.

7. Accordingly, the Committee recommends a total amount of \$250,000 ^{2/} for assistance to Mozambique for 1976 and 1977 as against a total amount of \$283,100 requested by the Secretary-General, the reduction of \$32,900 being attributable to lower requirements in 1976.

Assistance to Zambia

8. Under this heading the Secretary-General requests \$89,500 under section 1 to provide for the continuation in 1977 of the programme of co-operation between Zambia and the United Nations, in accordance with paragraph 5 of Economic and Social Council

^{2/} Consistent with current practice the Advisory Committee's recommendations are rounded off to the nearest \$1,000.

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resolution 2012 (LXI) of 3 August 1976. Of that amount, \$60,000 relates to temporary assistance (one P-3 and one G-5 at Headquarters and one local-level secretary in Lusaka), and \$15,000 to the upgrading of the communication link between Lusaka and Maputo to provide both voice and teleprinter services (a parallel provision for Maputo has been included in the Secretary-General's estimates for assistance to Mozambique, see para. 5 above).

9. In paragraph 1.8 of annex I to his report the Secretary-General indicates that the corresponding appropriation for 1976 amounts to \$67,700. However, his representative indicated to the Committee that estimated expenditures for the year would exceed that amount by \$12,300, which would be reflected in the performance report. Upon inquiry, the Committee was informed that in 1976 staffing resources at Headquarters (one P-3 and one G-5 costed at \$43,200) have been provided by the Office of Technical Co-operation at no charge, but that the savings were applied to the purchase and installation of telecommunication facilities in Lusaka and to over-expenditure on travel. The Committee was informed by the Secretary-General's representative that the arrangement with the Office of Technical Co-operation would not be possible beyond 1976.

10. The Advisory Committee recommends approval of the Secretary-General's estimate of \$89,500 for assistance to Zambia in 1977 under section 1.

Section 4. Policy-making organs (economic and social activities)

11. The Secretary-General's revised estimates under section 4 relate to the second special session of the Committee on Natural Resources, the Advisory Committee on the Application of Science and Technology to Development, the Committee for Development Planning, the Conference on Technical Co-operation among Developing Countries, and the United Nations Water Conference. The Secretary-General requests a total of \$329,100, not including conference servicing requirements, the full cost of which is estimated by him at \$516,350.

Committee on Natural Resources -- second special session

	<u>1976</u> \$	<u>1977</u> \$	<u>1976-1977</u> \$
Revised estimates (excluding conference services)	-	11,000	11,000
Conference servicing costs	-	79,850	79,850
Total	-	90,850	90,850

12. The estimates indicated above have been submitted pursuant to paragraph 5 of Economic and Social Council resolution 1983 (LX) of 23 April 1976, in which the

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Secretary-General is requested to make the necessary arrangements for the second special session of the Committee on Natural Resources in its function as Preparatory Committee for the Water Conference; the second special session is to be convened at Headquarters from 3 to 7 January 1977. The assumptions on which the estimates are based are given in paragraphs 4.3 and 4.4 of annex I.

13. The Secretary-General's request for \$11,000 relates to travel and subsistence of one staff member from each of the regional commissions. The Advisory Committee was informed that that amount was over-estimated by \$2,000. The Committee concurs in the Secretary-General's amended request for \$9,000.

14. The \$79,850 estimate for conference servicing costs includes \$66,800 to provide temporary assistance for meetings (interpretation, ^{3/} translation and typing) and \$13,050 for reproduction. Considering that the purpose of holding the special session of the Committee on Natural Resources would be to review documentation already prepared for the Water Conference, the Committee believes that savings of the order of \$12,000 could be effected in the areas of translation, typing and reproduction.

Advisory Committee on the Application of Science and
Technology to Development (ACAST)

	<u>1976</u> \$	<u>1977</u> \$	<u>1976-1977</u> \$
Revised estimates (excluding conference services)	74,000	57,000	131,000
Conference servicing costs	9,300	-	9,300
Total	83,300	57,000	140,300

15. The above estimates relate to paragraph 2 of Economic and Social Council resolution 2033 (LXI) of 4 August 1976 whereby the Council decided that the Advisory Committee on the Application of Science and Technology to Development, its subsidiary working groups and regional groups should be exempt from the obligation to adhere to the biennial cycle of meetings during the preparatory period and for the purposes of the United Nations Conference on Science and Technology for Development.

16. The approved budget for the biennium 1976-1977 provides for a meeting programme of ACAST on the basis of the biennial cycle. ^{4/} According to the

^{3/} The Committee was informed that the funds requested for interpretation, i.e. \$14,800, were made up of \$6,300 for salaries of 12 interpreters and \$8,500 for travel and subsistence of six of the 12 interpreters who would be hired non-locally.

^{4/} Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirtieth Session, Supplement No. 6 (A/10006), paras. 4.19 and 4.20.

Secretary-General's report the proposed application of an annual cycle of meetings would entail convening extra meetings in 1976 and 1977 as follows:

ACAST, working groups and regional groups	Approved biennial cycle of meetings for the biennium 1976-1977		Extra meetings as a result of the proposed exemption of ACAST from the biennial cycle in 1976 and 1977	
	<u>1976</u>	<u>1977</u>	<u>1976</u>	<u>1977</u>
ACAST		X	X \$83,300	
Working Group: I		X		
II	X			X 11,000
III	X			X 13,800
Regional Group -				
ECE		X		
ESCAP	X			X 15,200
ECLA		X		
ECA	X			X 8,500
ECWA				X 8,500
			\$83,300	\$57,000
			(including \$9,300 for conference service costs)	

17. As regards the extra meeting of the Advisory Committee on the Application of Science and Technology to Development in 1976, the Advisory Committee points out that, as a result of the late submission of document A/C.5/31/23, the meeting in question took place before the General Assembly had had the opportunity to review the related financial implications.

18. The Secretary-General's estimate of \$83,300 for the extra meeting of ACAST in 1976 includes \$74,000 for travel of participants (24 members) and staff (three staff members from Headquarters) and \$9,300 for conference servicing costs related to documentation (A/C.5/31/23, annex I, para. 4.12). The Committee believes that attendance by two staff, rather than three, from Headquarters would have been adequate. The Committee inquired into the cost estimates of the meeting of ACAST next year in Geneva which was approved under the biennial cycle in the budget for the biennium 1976-1977 and was informed by the representative of the Secretary-General that they amounted to \$68,615. In the absence of information to support higher estimates in 1976 than in 1977 for the same kind of meeting, the Committee

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recommends that the total estimate for the meeting of ACAST in 1976 be limited to the level of authorized expenditure for the corresponding meeting in 1977, i.e. \$69,000. On this basis the Secretary-General's estimate of \$83,300 for the meeting of ACAST in 1976 would be reduced by \$14,300. The amount recommended by the Committee would consist of \$62,000 for travel of participants and staff and \$7,000 for conference servicing costs.

19. As regards the extra meetings in 1977 of two working groups and three regional groups of ACAST, the Secretary-General estimates additional expenditures of \$48,560 for travel and subsistence of 35 members and \$8,440 for travel of eight staff from Headquarters, i.e. a total of \$57,000 (*ibid.*). The Committee was informed that the number of participants on the basis of which the former amount was calculated has been overstated, the correct number being 29 members. On that basis and bearing in mind the fact that not all participants are likely to attend, the Advisory Committee recommends that the Secretary-General's related estimate be reduced to \$36,000 (i.e. by \$12,560).

20. As regards the eight staff members who would travel from Headquarters to attend the extra meetings of working and regional groups of ACAST in 1977, the Advisory Committee was informed that their breakdown would be: two staff members for Working Group II, three for Working Group III and one for each of the three regional groups. Considering that Working Group II is scheduled to meet at Headquarters (A/C.5/31/23, annex I, para. 4.12C) no provision will be required for travel of staff. As for the meeting of Working Group III in Geneva, the Committee believes that two staff from Headquarters should be sufficient. Consequently, the Advisory Committee recommends that the Secretary-General's request for travel of staff be reduced by \$3,440, from \$8,440 to \$5,000.

21. The recommendations of the Advisory Committee in paragraphs 18 to 20 above will result in a reduction by \$28,000 (from \$131,000 to \$103,000) of the Secretary-General's request under section 4 for requirements other than conference services for the Advisory Committee on the Application of Science and Technology, and by \$2,300 (from \$9,300 to \$7,000) the estimate for conference servicing costs.

Committee for Development Planning

22. Under this heading, the Secretary-General reports that the Economic and Social Council has recommended that working groups of the Committee for Development Planning be convened late in 1976 in Bangkok, Santiago and Addis Ababa (Council decision 163 (LXI) of 3 August 1976). The Secretary-General has redeployed existing resources and does not request any additional funds. Cost estimates for the three meetings and the financing thereof are explained in paragraphs 4.17 and 4.18 of annex I to the Secretary-General's report.

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Conference on Technical Co-operation among
Developing Countries

	<u>1976</u> \$	<u>1977</u> \$	<u>1976-1977</u> \$
Revised estimates (excluding conference services)	12,600	74,500	87,100
Conference servicing costs	-	427,200	427,200
Total	12,600	501,700	514,300

23. These estimates relate to three meetings of the Preparatory Committee and the Conference itself to be convened in 1977, in accordance with paragraph 2 of Economic and Social Council resolution 2023 (LXI) of 4 August 1976. The decision to convene the Conference was taken by the General Assembly in resolution 3461 (XXX) of 11 December 1975.

24. In paragraphs 4.21 to 4.24 of annex I to his report, the Secretary-General states that the total amount of \$514,300 represents an upward revision of an earlier estimate of \$400,000 submitted to the Economic and Social Council. He attributes the increase to the cost of including a third meeting of the Preparatory Committee, of providing information services and of strengthening the Economic and Social Council secretariat. Paragraphs 4.25 and 4.26 of annex I provide a breakdown of the costs by activity.

25. The \$87,100 requested by the Secretary-General for requirements other than conference services consists of \$73,600 for strengthening the secretariat of the Economic and Social Council and \$13,500 for information services. The former amount includes:

(a) \$59,200 for one P-5 and one G-4 post for two months in 1976 costed at \$9,450 and for 10 months in 1977 costed at \$49,750;

(b) \$1,900 for furniture and equipment connected with the two posts;

(c) \$5,000 for travel of staff of the Economic and Social Council secretariat in 1977;

(d) \$7,500 for general operating expenses and office supplies in 1976-1977.

26. Upon inquiry the Committee was informed that recruitment for the P-5 and G-4 temporary assistance posts has not yet taken place. Accordingly, the Committee recommends that the related cost for 1976, i.e. \$9,450, be deleted.

27. As for the \$5,000 requested for travel of staff of the Economic and Social Council secretariat, the Committee was informed that that amount would provide for

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travel and subsistence of two staff members to participate in a meeting of an interagency task force to be convened at Geneva in 1977. The Committee is of the opinion that attendance of one staff member would suffice and recommends that the estimate be reduced to \$2,500.

28. The additional \$13,500 requested by the Secretary-General for information services relates to temporary assistance to replace the 10 staff members from the Office of Public Information who would be assigned to service the conference for a period of two weeks. The Advisory Committee is not convinced that this approach is justified and believes that the services to be provided by the Office of Public Information should be absorbed from within existing resources. The Committee recommends, therefore, that the Secretary-General's request not be granted.

29. Of the \$427,200 total conference servicing costs estimated by the Secretary-General, \$68,700 relates to three meetings of the Preparatory Committee expected to be convened at Headquarters during the first half of 1977. Each meeting is costed at \$22,900, made up of \$10,200 for salaries of 18 interpreters, \$2,200 for travel and subsistence of three non-locally recruited interpreters, and \$10,500 for reproduction of 50 pages of pre-session, 50 pages of in-session and 50 pages of post-session documentation. Upon inquiry the Committee was informed that the cost of reproduction of post-session documentation should have been calculated on the basis of 20 pages thereby reducing the cost per meeting by \$2,100. Accordingly, the Committee recommends that the estimates for the three Preparatory Committee meetings be reduced by \$6,300, i.e. from \$68,700 to \$62,400.

30. The full cost of conference services for the Conference itself is estimated by the Secretary-General at \$358,500 broken down as follows:

Interpretation: \$68,040

Translation: \$141,940

Typing: \$21,460

Reproduction: \$64,760

Travel and subsistence of non-locally recruited language staff: \$59,150

Temporary assistance of seven locally recruited conference servicing staff: \$3,150.

The estimates for translation, typing and reproduction are calculated on the basis of 1,000 pages of pre-session, 300 pages of in-session and 100 pages of post-session documentation. In this connexion, the Committee believes that the figure of 1,000 pages of pre-session documentation appears to have been overstated. Accordingly, the Committee recommends that the estimates for conference servicing costs be reduced at this stage by \$30,000 to \$328,500.

31. The recommendations made by the Advisory Committee in paragraphs 26 to 30 above will reduce the Secretary-General's estimate for the Conference on Technical Co-operation among Developing Countries by \$36,300 for conference servicing costs,

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i.e. from \$427,200 to \$391,000, and by \$25,450 for other requirements, i.e. from \$87,100 to \$62,000 (to the nearest \$1,000).

United Nations Water Conference

32. Under this heading the Secretary-General requests an appropriation in the amount of \$100,000 (\$66,100 for 1976 and \$33,900 for 1977) in connexion with Economic and Social Council resolution 1983 (LX) of 23 April 1976 on preparations for the United Nations Water Conference. The estimates (which provide for the post of the Secretary-General of the Conference, travel, rental and alterations of premises, furniture and equipment) are submitted within the level already authorized by the Advisory Committee under the provision of General Assembly resolution 3540 (XXX) on unforeseen and extraordinary expenses for the biennium 1976-1977.

Section 4 - Summary

33. The recommendations made by the Advisory Committee in connexion with section 4 (paras. 11 to 32 above) entail a reduction of \$55,450 in the amount requested for requirements other than conference services from \$329,100 to \$274,000 and a reduction of \$50,600 in the amount estimated for conference servicing costs from \$516,350 to \$466,000 (in both cases to the nearest \$1,000).

Section 5A. Economic and Social Affairs - Science and Technology

34. Under this section the Secretary-General requests \$33,100 for the science and technology programme to cover the estimated cost of convening a working group of consultants from developing and developed countries in 1977, in collaboration with ACAST, to assist him in preparing surveys of on-going research and development activities in the field of non-conventional sources of energy. The Secretary-General relates his request to paragraphs 3 and 4 of Economic and Social Council resolution 2031 (LXI) of 4 August 1976. A breakdown of the cost is given in paragraph 5A.3 of annex I to his report.

35. In response to inquiries the Advisory Committee was informed by the representative of the Secretary-General that of the \$111,900 for consultants for the Office of Science and Technology under the programme budget for 1976-1977 \$14,100 had been committed by 31 October 1976. Accordingly the Advisory Committee is of the opinion that the consultancy services (costed at \$30,100) required pursuant to Council resolution 2031 (LXI) can be met from within already approved resources. On this basis the Committee recommends that the Secretary-General's request for \$33,100 be reduced to \$3,000 for contractual editing and travel of substantive staff.

Section 14. International narcotics control

36. Under this section the Secretary-General requests \$48,500 consisting of \$33,500 for publication of the Spanish edition of the Bulletin on Narcotic Drugs

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in 1977, and \$15,000 for printing externally the text of the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961 and its amendments in four languages in 1976, pursuant to Economic and Social Council resolution 2003 (LX) of 12 May 1976 on the report of Commission on Narcotic Drugs.

37. The Advisory Committee has no objection to the Secretary-General's request for \$33,500 for publication of the Spanish edition of the Bulletin on Narcotic Drugs.

38. As for the \$15,000 requested to cover the cost of external printing of the text of the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, the Committee was informed by the representative of the Secretary-General that the printing would be done internally and that consequently the related estimates were withdrawn.

39. For the reason given in the preceding paragraph the Advisory Committee recommends that the amount of \$48,500 requested under section 14 be reduced by \$15,000 to \$33,500.

Section 18. Human rights

40. The Secretary-General's estimates under this section total \$324,000, broken down into \$170,780 for conference servicing costs and \$153,220 for other requirements. They relate to one resolution and two decisions of the Economic and Social Council.

I. Economic and Social Council resolution 1990 (LX) of 11 May 1976. World Conference to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination

	<u>1976</u> \$	<u>1977</u> \$	<u>1976-1977</u> \$
Revised estimates (excluding conference services)	—	7,320	7,320
Conference servicing costs	—	109,180	109,180
Total	—	116,500	116,500

41. The above estimates cover the servicing of two sessions in 1977 of a preparatory sub-committee of the Council for the Conference. The financial implications of the Conference itself will be reflected in the programme budget for the biennium 1978-1979.

42. The request for \$7,320 relates to the cost of travel and subsistence of two staff from the Division of Human Rights to each session of the preparatory sub-committee. The full conference servicing costs are estimated at \$109,180 for

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the two sessions (two weeks each), of which \$80,340 is earmarked for travel, salaries and subsistence of interpreters and \$26,986 for documentation (A/C.5/31/23/Corr.1, para. 18.5).

43. The Advisory Committee was informed by the representative of the Secretary-General that the preparatory sub-committee of the Council has not yet been constituted and that its programme of work is not known. For that reason the Advisory Committee recommends approval of the estimates for one session, i.e. \$59,000 (\$55,000 for conference servicing costs and \$4,000 for other requirements) instead of \$116,500. Should it be decided to convene a second session in 1977 the related cost estimates would be considered under the provisions of General Assembly resolution 3540 (XXX) on unforeseen and extraordinary expenses for the biennium 1976-1977.

II. Economic and Social Council decision 145 (LX) of
12 May 1976. Protection of human rights in
Chile

	<u>1976</u> \$	<u>1977</u> \$	<u>1976-1977</u> \$
Revised estimates (excluding conference services)	120,000	23,400	143,400
Conference servicing costs	-	58,100	58,100
Total	120,000	81,500	201,500

44. The above estimates relate to three sessions and one field mission in 1976 and one session early in 1977 of the Ad Hoc Working Group of the Commission on Human Rights (A/C.5/31/23/Corr.1, para. 18.7).

45. The \$120,000 requested by the Secretary-General for non-conference servicing costs for 1976 corresponds to the amount authorized by the Advisory Committee under the provisions of resolution 3540 (XXX) on unforeseen and extraordinary expenses for the biennium 1976-1977. In this connexion, the Committee points out that, although the related activities of the Ad Hoc Working Group have already taken place, the breakdown indicated in the Secretary-General's report represents estimates rather than actual expenses. The \$23,400 requested for 1977 will meet travel and subsistence expenses of the Ad Hoc Working Group and witnesses for one session and of the Chairman/Rapporteur to attend the thirty-third session of the Commission on Human Rights. The Advisory Committee has no objection to this request.

46. For the meeting of the Ad Hoc Working Group in 1977, the Secretary-General estimates the full cost of conference services at \$58,100, consisting of \$19,800 for interpretation and sound technician, \$35,000 for documentation and \$3,300 for

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temporary assistance. Taking into account the duration of the meeting the Advisory Committee recommends that the cost of documentation and temporary assistance be reduced by \$15,000 and \$1,300 respectively which will result in a reduction of the Secretary-General's estimate from \$58,100 to \$41,800.

III. Economic and Social Council decision 146 (LX) of
12 May 1976. Long term programme of work of the
Commission on Human Rights

47. The Secretary-General's estimate of \$6,000 under this heading includes \$2,500 for travel and \$3,500 for conference services in connexion with preparatory meetings to be held by the five officers of the thirty-second session of the Commission for at least three days prior to the thirty-third session at Geneva in 1977. Bearing in mind, in particular, the contingent nature of the requirement (A/C.5/31/23/Corr.1, para. 18.9) the Advisory Committee believes that no additional provision for travel need be made at this stage. As for conference servicing costs, the Committee has no objection to the Secretary-General's estimate.

48. In line with the recommendations in paragraphs 43 and 45 to 47 above, the Advisory Committee recommends that the Secretary-General's request under section 18 for requirements other than conference services be reduced by \$5,820 i.e. from \$153,220 to \$147,000 and his estimate for conference servicing costs be reduced by \$70,480 from \$170,780 to \$100,000.

Section 25. Staff assessment

Income section 1. Income from staff assessment

49. The recommendations made by the Advisory Committee in this report entail a consequential reduction of \$7,500 in staff assessment, i.e. from \$100,500 to \$93,000.

Recapitulation

50. In this report the Advisory Committee has recommended reductions totalling \$146,770 in costs other than those for conference servicing, i.e. from \$1,037,020 to \$890,500. As regards conference servicing costs, the Committee has indicated a total reduction of \$121,080 in the Secretary-General's estimates, i.e. from \$687,130 to \$566,000. The extent to which conference servicing costs can be absorbed within already approved resources will be considered by the Committee on Conferences before the end of the current session of the General Assembly.

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Non-conference servicing costs

Conference servicing costs
(full potential)

	Amount requested by the Secretary-General	Reduction recommended by the Advisory Committee	Amount recommended by the Advisory Committee 5/	Amount requested by the Secretary-General	Reduction recommended by the Advisory Committee	Amount recommended by the Advisory Committee 5/
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Section 1	372 600	32 900	340 000	-	-	-
Section 4	329 100	55 450	274 000	516 350	50 ³⁵⁰ 600	466 000
Section 5A	33 100	30 100	3 000	-	-	-
Section 14	48 500	15 000	33 500	-	-	-
Section 18	153 220	5 820	147 000	170 780	70 ⁷ 480	100 000
Section 25	100 500	7 500	93 000	-	-	-
Total	1 037 020	146 770	890 500	687 130	121 ¹³⁰ 080	566 000

5/ To the nearest \$1,000.