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PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1978-1979

Administrative and financial implications of the draft resolution  
recommended by the Second Committee (A/33/399/Add.1, para. 8)

Report of the Fifth Committee

Rapporteur: Mr. Hamzah Mohammed HAMZAH (Syrian Arab Republic)

1. At its 66th meeting, on 19 December 1978, 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.5/33/96) on the administrative and financial implications of the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee (A/33/399/Add.1, para. 8).
2. Under the terms of operative paragraphs 2 and 3 of that draft resolution, the General Assembly would decide to convene a conference of plenipotentiaries in order to finalize and adopt the constitution of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization as a specialized agency at Vienna in 1979 for a period of two and, if necessary, three weeks.
3. In his statement, the Secretary-General indicated that the financial implications of the draft resolution would amount to \$647,900. It was further indicated that, while the total potential requirements of holding the Conference were estimated at \$647,900, the adoption of the draft resolution would require an appropriation of \$103,100 under section 12 of the programme budget for the biennium 1978-1979. As far as the estimates of conference servicing costs under section 23 B were concerned, which had been calculated on a full-cost basis, which assumed no capacity for absorption, these estimates would be reviewed in the context of a consolidated statement on total conference servicing requirements to be submitted to the General Assembly towards the end of its thirty-third session.
4. The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions indicated in an oral statement that since the Advisory Committee was of

the opinion that it should be possible to absorb part of the expenditures related to section 12 it was only recommending an appropriation of \$95,000 under that section. As far as an appropriation for conference servicing costs were concerned, these would be included in the consolidated paper on conference servicing costs which would be presented shortly to the General Assembly.

5. Comments made in the course of the discussion of this question in the Committee are reflected in the summary record of the meeting (A/C.5/33/SR.66).

#### DECISION OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE

6. The Fifth Committee decided, by 57 votes to 9, with 5 abstentions, to inform the General Assembly that, should it adopt the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee (A/33/399/Add.1, para. 8), an additional appropriation of \$95,000 would be required under section 12 of the programme budget for the biennium 1978-1979. Conference servicing costs not exceeding \$544,800 would be included in the consolidated paper of conference servicing costs which would be presented to the General Assembly towards the end of its thirty-third session.

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