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REPORT OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1978-1979

Assistance for the reconstruction and development of Lebanon

Administrative and financial implications of draft resolution III recommended by the Second Committee (A/33/446/Add.1, para. 32)

Report of the Fifth Committee

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- 1. At its 67th meeting, on 20 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.5/33/95 and Corr.1) on the administrative and financial implications of draft resolution III recommended by the Second Committee (A/33/446/Add.1, para. 32). In his statement (A/C.5/33/95 and Corr.1), the Secretary-General indicated that the financial implications of draft resolution III would amount to \$272,800 under sections 1 and 22 to cover salary and common staff costs of the Co-ordinator, two Professional staff members and three General Service staff members, their related travel and common service costs for 1979. Additionally, an amount of \$62,300 would be included under section 25 for staff assessment offset by \$62,300 under income section 1.
- 2. The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions made an oral statement in which an appropriation of \$210,000 was recommended. This represented a reduction of \$62,800 in respect of delayed recruitment of temporary assistance staff (\$44,100), common service costs (\$18,700) and staff assessment (\$12,300), the latter offset by an equivalent amount (\$12,300) under income from staff assessment.
- 3. Comments made in the course of the discussion of this item are reflected in the relevant summary record (A/C.5/33/SR.67).

DECISION OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE

4. The Fifth Committee decided, by 68 votes to 8, to inform the General Assembly that, should it adopt draft resolution III recommended by the Second Committee (A/33/446/Add.1, para. 32), an additional appropriation of \$210,000 would be required for the programme budget for the biennium 1978-1979 as follows:

	(In United States dollars)
Section 1	190,000
Section 22	20,000
Section 25	50,000
Income section 1	(50,000)
	210,000