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Revised estimates resulting from decisions of the Economic and
Social Council at its first and second regular sessions, 1978

Report of the Secretary-General

1. At its first and second regular sessions, 1978, held in New York and Geneva respectively, the Economic and Social Council adopted resolutions and took decisions, the implementation of which would involve additional expenditures of United Nations funds in 1978 and 1979. In accordance with paragraph 3 of rule 31 of the rules of procedure of the Council, the Secretary-General submitted separate cost estimates in respect of each of the proposals prior to their adoption. In cases where the proposals originated in a subsidiary body of the Council, similar action was taken at the time the initial proposals were put before the subsidiary body concerned. Towards the end of the Council's second regular session, the Secretary-General provided it with a summary of the financial implications arising from its resolutions and decisions. The Council was informed that the financial implications of all these decisions would be reviewed in their totality and that, to the extent required, revised estimates for 1978-1979 would be submitted to the General Assembly at its thirty-third session.
2. With respect to a number of these resolutions and decisions which required urgent action in 1978, the Secretary-General obtained authority to enter into commitments under the terms of General Assembly resolution 32/214, "Unforeseen and extraordinary expenses for the biennium 1978-1979". As provided for in that resolution, the Secretary-General reports herewith on these commitments for which he now submits supplementary estimates as required.
3. In respect of some of the proposals before the Economic and Social Council financial implications statements were made with regard to costs amounting to \$10,000 or less. In such cases the Secretary-General is not requesting an additional appropriation, but rather will attempt to absorb these extra costs within the resources appropriated for the sections concerned for 1978-1979.

4. In respect of conference servicing costs, the financial implications relating to proposals considered by the Economic and Social Council were submitted to the Council on a full-cost basis, that is, as if none of the requirements could be provided out of the resources already appropriated under the programme budget for 1978-1979. The total amount involved was \$717,923, broken down as indicated under each of the relevant resolutions or decisions appearing in the annex to this report. Actual supplementary needs with respect to meetings in 1978 will be examined and revised appropriations requested if necessary under section 23 in the first performance report on the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1978-1979. As regards conference servicing requirements for meetings scheduled for 1979, these will be considered in the context of the consolidated statement to be submitted towards the end of the thirty-third session of the General Assembly in which the Secretary-General will report on the level of additional conference resources to be requested in the light of the pattern of conferences for the year 1979 as approved by the General Assembly.

5. In this submission, the Secretary-General requests additional appropriations in a total amount of \$352,100. The proposed additional appropriation includes a provision for staff assessment in an amount of \$17,700 under expenditure section 25 of the programme budget for the biennium 1978-1979, which would be offset by an increase in the estimates of income in the same amount under income section 1. The total requirements are summarized by budget section, programme and object of expenditure in tables 1 and 2 below. The annex to this document contains detailed justifications and other relevant information, with specific reference to the documents (including the relevant statements of financial implications submitted to the Council) and the individual resolutions and decisions involved.

Table 1
Summary listing of revised estimates

Section	Organizational unit/programme	Resolution/decision	Related documents	Purpose	1978	1979
1	Economic assistance to Zambia	Resolution 1978/46	E/1978/L.36	Extension of the existing programme of assistance	\$ -	\$ 85 400
4	Policy-making organs (economic and social activities)	Decision 1978/38	E/1978/L.18/ Add.1	Changes in the calendar of conferences and meetings for 1978-1979	36 400	-
		Decision 1978/31	Oral statement	Representation of the Commission on the Status of Women to the World Conference to Combat Racism or Racial Discrimination	a/	-
7	Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP)	Resolution 1978/67	E/1978/C.1/ L.8	Activities of ESCAP in the Pacific area	-	b/
8	Economic Commission for Latin America	Decision 1978/64	E/1978/C.1/ L.32	Implementation of priority projects designated by the Caribbean Development and Co-operation Committee at its third session (April 1978)	-	b/
18	Human Rights	Resolution 1978/17	E/1978/34	Body of principles for the protection of all persons under any form of detention and imprisonment	a/	-

Table 1 (continued)

Section	Organizational unit/programme	Resolution/decision	Related documents	Purpose	1978	1979
					\$	\$
18	Human Rights (continued)	Resolution 1978/22	E/1978/34	Measures to improve the situation and ensure the human rights and dignity of all immigrant workers	a/	-
		Decision 1978/22	E/1978/34	The adverse consequences for the enjoyment of political, economic and other forms of assistance given to colonial and racist régimes in southern Africa	a/	-
		Decision 1978/23	E/1978/34	Study of reported violations of human rights in Chile	94 000	23 000
		Decision 1978/25	E/1978/34	Organization of symposium in southern Africa	95 600	-
		Decision 1978/29	E/1978/34	Report of the Commission on Human Rights	a/	-
25	Staff assessment	-	-	-	-	17 700
Total					<u>226 000</u>	<u>126 100</u>
					<u>352 100</u>	
Income section 1 - Income from staff assessment					-	17 700

a/ Costs not exceeding \$10 000 (see para. 3 above).

b/ See explanatory text in the annex to this report.

Table 2

Analysis of revised estimates by object of expenditure

	Section 01	Section 04	Section 18	Section 25	Total expenditure sections	Income section 01
	Over-all policy-making	Policy-making organs (economic social activities)	Human rights	Staff assessment		Income from staff assessment
General temporary assistance	70 700	-	-	-	70 700	-
Temporary assistance for meetings	-	-	2 100	-	2 100	-
Overtime	-	-	1 000	-	1 000	-
Consultants	2 000	-	-	-	2 000	-
Travel of staff	8 500	7 000	27 800	-	43 300	-
Travel of participants in meetings	-	29 400	169 700	-	199 100	-
General operating expenses	4 200	-	12 000	-	16 200	-
Staff assessment	-	-	-	17 700	17 700	17 700
Total 1978-1979	85 400	36 400	212 600	17 700	352 100	17 700

Annex

Section 01. Over-all policy-making, direction and co-ordination

Resolution 1978/46 of 2 August 1978: (\$85,400) Assistance
to Zambia

1. Under the terms of the resolution, the Council requested the Secretary-General, inter alia, to mobilize financial, technical and economic assistance from the international community in order to meet the short-term and long-term needs of Zambia until the situation with regard to the illegal régime in Southern Rhodesia is resolved satisfactorily; and to ensure that adequate financial and budgetary arrangements are made to continue the mobilization of resources and the co-ordination of the programme of assistance to Zambia.

2. It will be recalled that, following a similar request by the Council at its sixty-third session, the General Assembly, on the basis of revised estimates (A/C.5/32/16 and Corr.1 and 2) submitted to it by the Secretary-General at its thirty-second session, appropriated an amount of \$74,000 for continuing through 1978 the co-ordination of the programme of assistance to Zambia.

3. Subject to political developments, it is estimated that the cost of maintaining at the same level the co-ordination activities related to the programme in 1979 would amount to \$85,400 as follows:

	\$
(a) Temporary assistance, Office of the Assistant Secretary-General for Special Political Questions (one P-3 and two General Service posts)*	70,700
(b) Consultants	2,000
(c) Travel on official business	8,500
(d) General operating expenses	4,200
	<u>85,400</u>

* As the major part of co-ordination activities are now being carried out in New York rather than in Lusaka, it is proposed to replace the local level post authorized in Lusaka for 1978 by a General Service post in New York.

Section 04. Policy-making organs (economic and social activities)

(a) Committee on Programme and Co-ordination (\$36,400)

4. At its first regular session in 1978, during the period 19 April to 4 May, the Economic and Social Council approved decision 1978/38, relating to changes in the calendar of conferences and meetings for 1978 and 1979, whereby it decided inter alia to divide the eighteenth session of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination into two parts which were to be held at Headquarters, New York, during the periods 22 May to 9 June and 28 August to 15 September 1978, respectively.

5. As the combined duration of the two parts was the same as that of the single session originally scheduled, i.e., six weeks, no additional conference servicing costs were involved. However, additional travel and subsistence costs were incurred in respect of the 21 representatives of the Committee and the 5 staff members of the regional commissions who attended both parts of the session. An additional appropriation of \$36,400 is requested under section 4 for that purpose, of which \$29,400 relates to the travel of representatives and \$7,000 to the travel of staff.

(b) World Conference to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination

6. At its first regular session on 5 May 1978, the Economic and Social Council approved decision 1978/31 designating a representative of the Commission on the Status of Women to attend, in the capacity of observer, the World Conference to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination, held in August 1978. The cost of approximately \$2,000 incurred for this purpose, can be met from within the existing appropriation for the Commission on the Status of Women under section 4.

Section 07. Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific

Resolution 1978/67 of 4 August 1978: Activities of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific in the Pacific area

7. Under the operative paragraph of the resolution the Council decided that the implementation of resolution 188 (XXXIV) of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) constituted an urgent need and that its provisions were of an unforeseeable nature at the time of the adoption of the 1978-1979 programme budget, and in this regard requested the Secretary-General to make additional appropriate provision for 1978-1979 for consideration by the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (ACABQ) and the Fifth Committee in the course of the thirty-third session of the General Assembly.

8. Under paragraph 2 of ESCAP resolution 188 (XXXIV), a/ the Executive Secretary of ESCAP had been requested, inter alia, to consider urgently the appointment of a

a/ Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1978, Supplement No. 8 (E/1978/48, annex I).

suitably qualified senior officer in the Pacific area for its purpose of improving working linkages and maintaining effective liaison between the Commission and the countries of that area and to assist the Executive Secretary in the programming and implementation of activities relevant to the needs of the area.

9. In a statement submitted to the Council prior to the adoption of its resolution 1978/67 the Secretary-General indicated that, after consultation with the Executive Secretary of ESCAP, he would draw the attention of the Advisory Committee and the Fifth Committee to that resolution in the course of the thirty-third session of the General Assembly, so that appropriate action might be taken to reflect the urgency of the need stressed in the resolution.

10. In a prior statement submitted to the Council in connexion with its review of the annual report of ESCAP, it has been pointed out that the senior officer, whose appointment in the Pacific area had been requested, would be responsible for specific liaison and programming functions. These functions had already been recognized as part of the over-all responsibilities of the Programme Co-ordination and Monitoring Office of ESCAP which had been substantially strengthened for the current biennium through the net addition of two Professional posts redeployed from other areas of activity (A/32/6, para. 7.17). In view of the recommendation of ACABQ in paragraph 14 of its first report on the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1978-1979 (A/32/8), the possibility has been explored in consultation with the Executive Secretary of ESCAP of deferring to the next biennium any request for additional resources for these functions. The Executive Secretary of ESCAP has stressed the urgency of the new post, the functions of which he believes cannot be carried out within existing resources. Considering, however, that a study of organizational management and manpower needs by the Administrative Management Service (AMS) is envisaged to begin in November, the Secretary-General is not requesting an additional appropriation at this stage. Should the General Assembly, however, agree with the Economic and Social Council that there is a pressing need of an unforeseen nature for this post, as it would be required to do in accordance with paragraph 6 of General Assembly resolution 31/93, it would be necessary to appropriate under section 7 an amount of \$47,400 for the establishment of the new post, as well as an additional provision of \$17,000 for staff assessment under section 25, offset by an equivalent amount under income section 1.

Section 08. Economic Commission for Latin America

Decision 1978/64 of 4 August 1978: report of the Economic Commission for Latin America

11. Under the terms of operative paragraph (c) of the decision, the Council noted that, within the framework of the work programme of the Caribbean Development and Co-operation Committee (CDCC), as adopted by that Committee at its first session and endorsed by the Economic Commission for Latin America (ECLA) at its seventeenth session, CDCC at its third session selected a limited number of areas

and projects to be accorded the highest priority and to be implemented on an urgent basis, as indicated in paragraphs 14 and 19 of the annual report of ECLA. b/

12. Under operative paragraph (d) of the same draft decision the Council further concurred with the Committee's view that the implementation of these priority projects constituted an urgent need which could not be foreseen at the time of the adoption of the 1978-1979 programme budget and requested the Secretary-General to make appropriate additional provision for the biennium 1978-1979 for consideration by ACABQ and the Fifth Committee in the course of the thirty-third session of the General Assembly.

13. As indicated in paragraph 19 of the annual report of ECLA, the Committee, at its third session held from 12 to 18 April 1978, had instructed the secretariat of ECLA to seek budgetary appropriations, on an urgent basis, from the next session of the General Assembly for the posts required for the expeditious implementation of projects identified by the Committee as being of the highest priority.

14. It should be pointed out at the outset that the report of CDCC on its third session has not yet been considered by a regular session of the Commission and was not accordingly formally transmitted to the Secretary-General. Furthermore, at the time of writing this report, no detailed request for additional budgetary appropriations had been received from the secretariat of ECLA.

15. Nevertheless, the report prepared by that secretariat and covering the work of ECLA since its seventeenth session held in April/May 1977 deals in paragraphs 13 to 19 with the resolutions adopted by CDCC at its third session. It is mentioned inter alia in these paragraphs that CDCC agreed that highest priority should be accorded to the following activities: elimination of language barriers, maritime transport, international trade, Caribbean multinational enterprise for the production and distribution of printed and audio-visual material, Caribbean network of educational innovations for development, participation of Caribbean women in development, science and technology.

16. In programme terms, the areas concerned by the CDCC decision include development planning, projections and policies, transport, international trade, social development and science and technology. Considering that the staffing resources currently at the disposal of ECLA have been allocated along programme lines rather than on an organizational basis, the impact of the CDCC decisions on the requirements of the ECLA Port-of-Spain office cannot be appreciated in isolation. It is felt, in particular, that the extent to which a strengthening of the activities of ECLA in the Caribbean area can be achieved through the redeployment of staff resources from other subregions but within a given programme should be ascertained.

17. The Secretary-General feels that the most suitable framework for such an exercise would be the preparation of the 1980-1981 programme budget. On that

b/ Ibid., Supplement No. 11 (E/1978/51).

occasion the Executive Secretary would be in a position to consider the most urgent requirements concerning the Caribbean region as outlined by CDCC in the context of the priorities set for the Commission as a whole. The budget submission of ECLA would be reviewed, bearing in mind the urgency of the needs of ECLA in the Caribbean region, as emphasized in Economic and Social Council decision 1978/64. It is therefore formally proposed that such a course of action be followed.

Section 13. Human rights (\$212,600)

- (a) Resolution 1978/17 of 5 May 1978: Body of principles for the protection of all persons under any form of detention and imprisonment

18. In this resolution the Council authorized the Chairman of the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities to appoint a working group of five of its members to meet for not more than five working days prior to the thirty-first session of the Sub-Commission to prepare, for consideration at its thirty-first session, a revised body of principles for the protection of all persons under any form of detention and imprisonment.

19. The Council was informed that the cost of subsistence of the five members of the Sub-Commission would amount to \$2,600. For the reasons indicated in paragraph 3 of the present report, no additional appropriation is requested. The relevant conference servicing costs are estimated, on a full-cost basis, at \$12,654. (See, however, para. 4 of the present report.)

- (b) Resolution 1978/22 of 5 May 1978: Measures to improve the situation and ensure the human rights and dignity of all migrant workers

20. In this resolution the Council, after considering in particular General Assembly resolution 32/120 of 16 December 1977 on the question of migrant workers and the report of the Seminar on the Human Rights of Migrant Workers, held at Tunis from 12 to 24 November 1975, c/ and after taking note of the work done by the Commission on Human Rights in this field at its thirty-fourth session, d/

(a) Stressed the need to undertake the study recommended by the General Assembly in its resolution 32/120, on the basis of a consolidated report on the work done on the question by the interested agencies of the United Nations system and by other intergovernmental bodies;

(b) Requested the Secretary-General to prepare such a report in conformity with the recommendation of the Commission on Human Rights set forth in its resolution 21 B (XXXIV) e/ and to communicate it to Member States before December 1978 so that it may be brought to the attention of Governments;

c/ ST/TAO/HR/50.

d/ Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1978, Supplement No. 4 (E/1978/34), chap. XX, pp. 77-85.

e/ Ibid., chap. XXVI, sect. A, pp. 128, 219.

(c) Decided that a working group open to all States Members of the United Nations should meet at Geneva for not more than one week at the end of December to formulate specific proposals to be submitted to the Commission at its thirty-fifth session when it begins to consider fully and in depth the question of migrant workers, in the light of other appropriate recommendations which the General Assembly may transmit to it on this subject.

21. The following assumptions were made in determining the financial implications of the resolution:

(a) That temporary assistance amounting to two work months at the P-2/1 level would be required for the preparation of the consolidated report as requested, and

(b) That the Working Group would meet in Geneva for a period of three days in December 1978.

22. Since the members of the Working Group would consist of representatives of Member States no costs arise under the regular budget in respect of their attendance. The temporary assistance expenditures mentioned above are estimated at \$5,000. For the reasons indicated in paragraph 3 of the present report, no additional appropriation is requested. The relevant conference servicing costs are estimated on a full-cost basis, at \$30,381. (See, however, para. 4 of the present report.)

(c) Decision 1978/20 of 5 May 1978: Further promotion and encouragement of human rights and fundamental freedoms, including the question of the programme and methods of work of the Commission on Human Rights; alternative approaches and ways and means within the United Nations system for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms

23. The Council, after noting resolution 26 (XXXIV) of the Commission on Human Rights, decided to authorize the convening of an open-ended working group of the Commission to meet for one week immediately before the Commission's thirty-fifth session to continue the consideration of matters mentioned in Commission decision 4 (XXXIII), as well as those referred to the Commission by General Assembly resolution 32/130, and to request the Secretary-General to bring to the attention of the General Assembly Commission resolution 26 (XXXIV) and the relevant chapter of the Commission's report f/ in pursuance of General Assembly resolution 32/130.

24. The Council was informed that, since the travel expenses of the members attending the Working Group would be covered by the provisions already made for their attendance of the Commission meeting, no additional expenditures would arise. The relevant conference servicing costs are estimated, on a full-cost basis, at \$12,654. (See, however, para. 4 of the present report.)

f/ Ibid., p. 133.

- (d) Decision 1978/22 of 5 May 1978: The adverse consequences for the enjoyment of human rights of political, military, economic and other forms of assistance given to colonial and racist régimes in southern Africa

25. In this resolution the Council decided:

(a) To approve the recommendations made by the Commission on Human Rights in its resolution 6 (XXXIV) g/ that the Special Rapporteur of the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities for the study on the adverse consequences for the enjoyment of human rights of political, military, economic and other forms of assistance given to colonial and racist régimes in southern Africa be invited to present his report to the General Assembly at its thirty-third session and attend the meetings of the Assembly at which it is discussed;

(b) To approve the recommendation made by the Commission on Human Rights in the same resolution that the report of the Special Rapporteur be printed in its final form and given wide distribution.

26. The Council was informed that the travel and subsistence costs to be incurred in respect of the Special Rapporteur were estimated at \$2,400. For the reasons indicated in paragraph 3 of the present report, no additional appropriation is requested for these purposes. The relevant conference servicing costs are estimated, on a full-cost basis, at \$22,200. (See, however, para. 4 of the present report.)

- (e) Decision 1978/23 of 5 May 1978: Study of reported violations of human rights in Chile, with particular reference to torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment
(\$117,000)

27. The Council decided to approve the decision taken by the Commission on Human Rights in its resolution 12 (XXXIV), h/ in response to General Assembly resolution 32/118, to extend the mandate of the Ad Hoc Working Group to inquire into the situation of human rights in Chile within the terms of the Commission resolution and to request the General Assembly to make arrangements for the provision of adequate financial resources and staff for the implementation of that resolution.

28. The Council was informed that implementation of this decision would involve expenditures of \$252,600 in 1978 and \$20,900 in 1979 under section 18, as well as expenditures for conference services under section 23. The requirements under section 18 were subsequently revised to \$100,900 in 1978 and \$23,000 in 1979, based on the following assumptions:

g/ Ibid., p. 109.

h/ Ibid., chap. XXV, sect. A, p. 116.

(a) That the Working Group would meet in New York for a two-week period in May 1978 for consultations with Headquarters officials and with representatives of the Government of Chile;

(b) That prior to the visit to Chile, the Group would meet in New York for two days in July to complete consultations at Headquarters and undertake a two-week visit to Chile, followed by a return visit of one week in New York to evaluate the results;

(c) That the Working Group would meet for a further period of three weeks in Geneva in late summer 1978 for the purpose of gathering information and preparing and adopting its report to the General Assembly at its thirty-third session in accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolution 32/118;

(d) That the Chairman-Rapporteur of the Working Group would spend three weeks at Headquarters, New York, at the time of the submission of the report of the Working Group to the General Assembly at its thirty-third session;

(e) That the Working Group would meet for a period of three weeks in Geneva in January 1979, for the purpose of gathering additional information and preparing and adopting its report to the Commission on Human Rights at its thirty-fifth session, scheduled to begin on 12 February 1979;

(f) That in case the Chairman-Rapporteur was not a member of the Commission on Human Rights, provision should be made for his presence during one week in Geneva, in February 1979, to present the report to the Commission.

29. On the basis of the foregoing, the relevant costs under section 18 were estimated as follows:

A. Meeting in New York (two weeks in May 1978)

	<u>1978</u>	<u>1979</u>
	\$	\$
Travel and subsistence of five members of Working Group		
(a) Travel	9,720	-
(b) Subsistence	3,930	-
Travel and subsistence of four substantive staff* of the Division of Human Rights	-	-
Temporary assistance for transcription of tapes	400	-
Total, A	<u>14,050</u>	<u>-</u>

* To be absorbed within available resources.

B. Meeting in New York (two days in July 1978)

	<u>1978</u>	<u>1979</u>
	\$	\$
Travel and subsistence of five members of <u>Ad Hoc</u> Working Group		
(a) Travel	9,400	-
(b) Subsistence	700	-
Travel and subsistence of six accompanying substantive staff (principal secretary, three substantive officers and two secretaries)		
(a) Travel	5,300	-
(b) Subsistence	600	-
Total, B	<u>16,000</u>	<u>-</u>

C. Visit to Chile (two weeks in July 1978)

Travel and subsistence of members of Working Group		
(a) Travel (New York/Chile and return)	8,800	-
(b) Subsistence	4,100	-
Travel and subsistence of accompanying staff (six substantive staff listed in part B above, one finance and administrative officer, one information officer and one sound technician)*		
(a) Travel (New York/Chile and return)	8,000	-
(b) Subsistence	3,500	-
Local travel of entire group		
(a) To Valparaiso (by car) - 5 members and 11 substantive and servicing staff	1,600	-
(b) To Concepcion (by air) - 5 members and 11 substantive and servicing staff	2,100	-
Travel and subsistence of witnesses	2,000	-
General operating expenses: rental of conference facilities and office space; local transportation and communications; air freight for equipment and documentation; rental of equipment; miscellaneous expenses	9,000	-
Total, C	<u>39,100</u>	<u>-</u>

* In addition, two security officers were to be made available by ECLA.

D. Meeting in New York following Chile visit (one week in August 1978)

	<u>1978</u>	<u>1979</u>
	\$	\$
(a) Subsistence of members of Group	2,500	-
(b) Subsistence of substantive staff	2,100	-
Total, D	<u>4,600</u>	<u>-</u>

E. Meeting in Geneva (three weeks in September 1978)

Travel and subsistence of members of Group		
(a) Travel	7,900	-
(b) Subsistence	9,100	-
Travel and subsistence of witnesses	4,000	-
Temporary assistance for transcription of taped evidence	1,200	-
Overtime	500	-
Total, E	<u>22,700</u>	<u>-</u>

F. Travel and subsistence of Chairman/Rapporteur of Working Group for attendance at thirty-third session of the General Assembly (three weeks)

Travel	3,000	-
Subsistence	1,500	-
Total, F	<u>4,500</u>	<u>-</u>

G. Meeting in Geneva (three weeks in January 1979)

Travel and subsistence of members of Group*		
(a) Travel	-	8,000
(b) Subsistence	-	9,400

* The travel expenses of the Chairman/Rapporteur and the members of the Ad Hoc Working Group are provided for in case they are not re-elected as representatives of their Governments to the Commission on Human Rights. Should they continue to serve in that capacity, their travel expenses will be met from existing provisions for travel of members to attend the thirty-fifth session of the Commission.

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	<u>1978</u>	<u>1979</u>
	\$	\$
Travel and subsistence of witnesses	-	2,000
Temporary assistance for transcription of taped evidence	-	400
Overtime	-	500
Total, G	<u>-</u>	<u>20,300</u>

H. Travel and subsistence of Chairman/Rapporteur of Working Group for mission to thirty-fifth session of Commission (one week in February 1979)

Travel	-	2,100
Subsistence	-	600
Total, H	<u>-</u>	<u>2,700</u>

Summary

A. Meeting in New York, May 1978	14,050	-
B. Meeting in New York, July 1978 (two days)	16,000	-
C. Visit to Chile, July 1978 (two weeks)	39,100	-
D. Meeting in New York, August 1978 (one week)	4,600	-
E. Meeting in Geneva, late summer 1978 (three weeks)	22,700	-
F. Travel of Chairman/Rapporteur to thirty-third session of the General Assembly	4,500	-
G. Meeting in Geneva, January 1979 (three weeks)	-	20,300
H. Attendance of Chairman/Rapporteur at thirty-fifth session of Commission	-	2,700
Total	<u>100,950</u>	<u>23,000</u>
Grand Total	<u>123,950</u>	

30. Following a review by ACABQ of the 1978 portion of the work programme of the Working Group, the Secretary-General was authorized, in accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolution 32/214 relating to unforeseen and extraordinary expenses for the biennium 1978-1979, to enter into commitments in the reduced amount of \$94,000, for which an allotment was issued.

31. At the time of preparation of the present report, available financial reports would seem to indicate that the 1978 expenditures of the Ad Hoc Working Group would remain within the level concurred in by the Advisory Committee. However, should this not prove to be the case, any necessary additional appropriation would be requested in the context of the second performance report.

32. Accordingly an additional appropriation of only \$117,000 is requested, of which \$94,000 relates to 1978 and \$23,000 to 1979. Conference servicing costs are estimated on a full-cost basis at \$338,735 for 1978 and \$155,929 for 1979. (See, however, para. 4 of the present report.)

(f) Decision 1978/25 of 5 May 1978: Organization of a symposium in southern Africa (\$95,600)

33. The Council decided to approve the decision of the Commission on Human Rights, in its decision 2 (XXXIV), i/ that a symposium be held in southern Africa on the economic and cultural exploitation of the blacks in South Africa and Namibia, and on prison conditions in the South African gaols.

34. The Council was informed that the implementation of this decision was expected to cost \$175,600 in 1978, of which \$109,200 related to section 18 and the balance to the cost of conference services under section 23. The estimated costs under section 18 were subsequently revised to \$95,600, as follows:

Symposium in Maseru, Lesotho, July 1978 (one week)

	\$
A. <u>Travel and subsistence of 32 participants</u>	
(a) Travel (economy class)	48,500
(b) Subsistence	6,500
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Total, A	55,000
B. <u>Travel and subsistence of 4 representatives of recognized national liberation movements and 10 former political detainees</u>	
(a) Travel (economy class)	12,700
(b) Subsistence	2,900
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Total, B	15,600

i/ Ibid., chap. I, sect. B, p. 5.

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C.	<u>Travel and subsistence of 6 members of Ad Hoc Working Group of Experts on the violations of human rights in southern Africa</u>	
	(a) Travel (first class)*	12,000
	(b) Subsistence	1,700
		13,700
	Total, C	13,700
D.	<u>Travel and subsistence of substantive and administrative staff:</u>	
	Representative of Secretary-General,** secretary of symposium,** principal secretary, assistant secretary, administrative and finance officer, press officer, two bilingual stenographers, secretary**	
	(a) Travel (economy class)	6,100
	(b) Subsistence	2,200
		8,300
	Subtotal D	8,300
E.	<u>General operating expenses: Freight expenditures for approximately 500 kg of documentation and equipment</u>	3,000
	<u>Summary</u>	
A.	Travel and subsistence of participants	55,000
B.	Travel and subsistence of representatives of national liberation movements and former political detainees	15,600
C.	Travel and subsistence of members of <u>Ad Hoc</u> Working Group	13,700
D.	Travel and subsistence of substantive and administrative staff	8,300
E.	General operating expenses	3,000
	Total	95,600

* The provisions of General Assembly resolution 32/198 are applicable to some portions of the itinerary of the members of the Group who would then be required to travel economy class. It is therefore likely that the travel estimates would be reduced as appropriate.

** These staff members are travelling to Swaziland solely for the purpose of the symposium. The remainder of the staff will also take part in the field mission to southern Africa already approved as part of the work programme of the Ad Hoc Working Group in 1978.

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35. Following a review by ACABQ of the proposed expenditures related to the symposium, the Secretary-General was authorized, in accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolution 32/214 relating to unforeseen and extraordinary expenses for the biennium 1978-1979, to enter into the commitments mentioned above.

36. At the time of preparation of this report, available financial reports would seem to indicate that the actual cost of the symposium would remain within the level of expenditure concurred in by the Advisory Committee. Accordingly, an appropriation in the amount of \$95,600 is requested under section 18. The conference servicing costs are estimated, on a full-cost basis, at \$119,042. (See, however, para. 3 of the present report.)

(g) Decision 1978/26 of 5 May 1978: Study of situations which reveal a consistent pattern of gross violations of human rights as provided in Commission on Human Rights resolution 8 (XXIII) and Economic and Social Council resolutions 1235 (XLII) and 1503 (XLVIII)

37. The Council decided to approve a decision of the Commission on Human Rights j/ to set up a working group composed of five of its members to meet for one week prior to its thirty-fifth session to examine such particular situations as might be referred to it by the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities at its thirty-first session under Council resolution 1503 (XLVIII) and those situations which the Commission had decided to keep under review.

38. The Council was informed that, as the travel of members concerned would be covered by existing provisions for the attendance of members at the Commission, this decision gave rise to no additional expenditures under section 18. The relevant conference servicing costs are estimated, on a full-cost basis, at \$13,164. (See, however, para. 4 of the present report.)

(h) Decision 1978/29 of 5 May 1978: Report of the Commission on Human Rights

39. The Council decided to take note of the report of the Commission on Human Rights on its thirty-fourth session. k/ In so doing, the Council implicitly endorsed resolutions 7 (XXXIV) and 8 (XXXIV) of the Commission dealing, respectively, with the implementation of the International Convention on the Suppression and Punishment of the Crime of Apartheid and with the implementation of the programme for the Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination.

40. By resolution 7 (XXXIV), l/ the Commission on Human Rights, after recalling its resolution 13 (XXXIII), in which it welcomed the entry into force of the

j/ Ibid., chap. I, sect. B, resolution 8, p. 7.

k/ Ibid.

l/ Ibid., chap. XXVI, sect. A, p. 110.

International Convention on the Suppression and Punishment of the Crime of Apartheid and requested the group of three members of the Commission, appointed under article IX of the Convention, to meet before the thirty-fourth session, and after considering the report of the group (E/CN.4/1286),

(a) Took note with appreciation of the report of the group, in particular the general guidelines proposed by the group concerning the form and the contents of reports to be submitted by States parties under article VII of the Convention; and

(b) Decided that the group of three members of the Commission appointed in accordance with article IX of the Convention should meet for a period of five days before the thirty-fifth session of the Commission to consider the reports submitted by States parties in accordance with article VII of the Convention.

41. The Commission was informed that as the travel expenses of the members of the Group will be covered by the existing provisions for their attendance at the Commission meeting, the resolution would not give rise to any additional expenditures under section 18. The relevant conference servicing costs are estimated, on a full-cost basis, at \$13,164. (See, however, para. 4 of the present report.)

42. By resolution 8 (XXXIV), m/ the Commission, after welcoming General Assembly resolution 32/129, in which the Secretary-General was requested to invite the Commission on Human Rights to attend in an observer capacity the World Conference to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination, to be held in Geneva from 14 to 25 August 1978, designated the Ad Hoc Working Group of Experts on Southern Africa to represent it for this purpose.

43. The Commission was informed that the travel expenses of the members of the Ad Hoc Working Group would be covered within the framework of the mission of investigation which the Group is scheduled to undertake in late July 1978. Consequently, the additional financial implications of this resolution would be limited to the cost of subsistence in Geneva of the members of the Group for the duration of the World Conference. These costs were estimated at \$7,200. For the reasons indicated in paragraph 3 of the present report, no additional appropriation is requested.

44. In summary, the additional requirements for which appropriations are requested under section 18 amount to \$212,600, of which \$189,600 relates to 1978 and \$23,000 to 1979, as summarized below.

m/ Ibid., p. 111.

	\$	\$
(a) Temporary assistance		
- Decision 1978/23	1,700	400
(b) Overtime		
- Decision 1978/23	500	500
(c) Travel		
- Decision 1978/23	82,800	22,100
- Decision 1978/25	92,600	-
(d) General operating expenses		
- Decision 1978/23	9,000	-
- Decision 1978/25	3,000	-
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Total	189,600	23,000
Grand total	212,600	<hr/> <hr/>

45. The sum of the additional requirements not exceeding \$10,000 individually, as shown in paragraphs 19, 22, 26 and 43, amount to \$17,200 over-all. Every effort will be made to absorb this amount within existing resources. However, should this not prove feasible, the necessary appropriation will be requested in the context of the second performance report on the 1978-1979 programme budget.
