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PROPOSED PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1978-1979

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE CHARTER OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND ON THE STRENGTHENING OF THE ROLE OF THE ORGANIZATION

Administrative and financial implications of the draft resolution contained in document A/C.6/32/L.2

Statement submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure

1. The Sixth Committee, at its 32nd meeting on 28 October 1977, adopted the draft resolution contained in document A/C.6/32/L.2. It had before it a statement of financial implications (A/C.6/32/L.5).

2. Under operative paragraph 2 of the draft resolution contained in document A/C.6/32/L.2, the General Assembly would decide that the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization should continue its work in pursuance of the following tasks with which it is entrusted:

(a) To list the proposals which have been made or will be made in the Committee and to identify those which have awakened special interest;

(b) To examine proposals which have been made or will be made in the Committee, with a view to according priority to the consideration of those areas on which general agreement is possible.

3. Under the terms of operative paragraph 6 of the draft resolution, the General Assembly would request the Secretary-General to render all assistance to the Special Committee, including the preparation of summary records of its meetings. Under operative paragraph 7, the Special Committee would be requested to submit a report on its work to the General Assembly at its thirty-third session. A/C.5/32/43 English Page 2

4. The following estimates are based on the assumption that the Special Committee would meet in New York for four weeks from 27 February to 24 March 1978. \$ \$ I. Pre-session (i) Translation, revision and typing 13,400 (ii) Reproduction 1,600 Total 15,000 II. In-session (i) Interpretation 94,400 (ii) Translation, revision and typing 65,200 (iii) Reproduction and distribution 5,000 (iv) Other staff (conference officer and documents control officer) 1,700 Total 166,300 III. Summary records (i) Translation, revision and typing 194,000 (ii) Reproduction 46,200 Total 240,200 IV. Post-session 66,800 (i) Translation, revision and typing (ii) Reproduction 10,000 76,800 Total V. Office of General Services (i) Telecommunication engineering 5,600 9,600 (ii) Security service (iii) General operating expenses 4,000 Total 19,200 Grand total 517,500

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5. The conference servicing costs indicated above are based at this stage on full costs, i.e., on the assumption that they would be non-absorbable. Towards the close of the present session of the General Assembly, when the pattern of conferences for 1978 is considered, it will be indicated, in the consolidated statement of conference servicing requirements to be submitted at that time, to what extent the costs dealt with in the present report can be absorbed within existing resources.