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IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECLARATION ON THE GRANTING
OF INDEPENDENCE TO COLONIAL COUNTRIES AND PEOPLES

Question of East Timor

Administrative and financial implications of the draft
resolution contained in document A/C.4/32/L.9

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

1. At its 21st meeting on 10 November 1977, the Fourth Committee adopted the draft resolution contained in document A/C.4/32/L.9, as orally revised. It had before it a statement of financial implications (A/C.4/32/L.18).
2. In accordance with paragraph 4 of the draft resolution contained in document A/C.4/32/L.9, the General Assembly would request the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples to dispatch to the Territory as soon as possible a visiting mission, with a view to the full and speedy implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples.
3. The financial implications of the visiting mission envisaged in that paragraph are estimated at \$28,900. In the opinion of the Secretary-General, the estimated costs could be met from within the resources already requested in the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1978-1979 for the over-all programme of the Special Committee.
4. Pursuant to paragraph 5 of the draft resolution, the General Assembly would request the Secretary-General to send urgently a special representative to East Timor for the purpose indicated in that paragraph. It is assumed that the special

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representative would make a trip of from four to five weeks' duration, accompanied by two political officers and one administrative/finance officer. On this basis, the related costs are estimated at \$23,600 for travel and subsistence. Since the preparation of the estimate of \$17,100 provided in paragraph 3 of document A/C.4/32/L.18 it has become apparent that an additional amount of \$6,500 will be required for rental of aircraft (\$5,500) and miscellaneous expenses, including communications (\$1,000).

5. In summary, in the event of the adoption of the draft resolution, total requirements would amount to \$52,500, of which \$28,900, relating to paragraph 4 of that resolution, could be met from within resources requested for the over-all programme of work of the Special Committee in the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1978-1979. An additional appropriation of \$23,600 would be required under section 3A to cover the costs for the implementation of paragraph 5.
