

UNITED NATIONS
GENERAL
ASSEMBLY



Distr.
GENERAL

A/C.5/32/78
5 December 1977

ORIGINAL: ENGLISH

Thirty-second session
FIFTH COMMITTEE
Agenda item 100

PROPOSED PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1978-1979

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

Administrative and financial implications of the draft
resolution contained in document A/C.5/32/L.26

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

1. Under the terms of operative paragraph 1 of the draft resolution contained in document A/C.5/32/L.26, the General Assembly would decide to increase the membership of the Advisory Committee from 13 to 16 members to be effective from 1 January 1978.
2. It has been assumed that in respect of the Advisory Committee
 - (a) The 1978 sessions would be for a duration of 23 weeks of which a three-week session would be held at Geneva, a one-week session at Bangkok and two sessions totalling 19 weeks at New York;
 - (b) During 1979 two sessions would be held at New York for a total duration of 25 weeks;
 - (c) For determining travel requirements the average cost has been estimated for travel from cities located in Africa, Asia and Latin America to the cities in which the Advisory Committee will meet;
 - (d) The three additional members to be appointed would not be domiciled in New York.
3. On this basis, the travel and subsistence costs of three additional members to participate in the sessions of the Advisory Committee throughout the biennium 1978-1979 are estimated at \$115,900, for which an additional appropriation would be required under section 1 of the programme budget for the biennium 1978-1979.