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PROPOSED PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1978-1979
Administrative and financial implications of the draft report of the Ad Hoc Committee on the Restructuring of the Economic and Social Sectors of the United Nations System

Amendment

1. In the course of the discussions in the Economic and Social Council of the report of the Ad Hoc Committee and the related statement of financial implications, several delegations pointed out that paragraph 5 of section VIII, chapter III, of the Report of the Ad Hoc Committee indicated three options regarding the level at which the high official referred to in that paragraph would be appointed.
2. It was noted that the Secretary-General had provided financial implications in respect of only one of these three possibilities, that of a level corresponding to Under-Secretary-Gener al. The Secretary-General was requested to provide the financial implications of all three options.
3. With respect to the first option, that of a level higher than that of Under-Secretary-General, the Secretary-General notes that under paragraph 1 of annex $I$ of the Staff Regulations of the United Nations, the only staff member of the Secretariat entitled to a salary level higher than that of Under-Secretary-General is that of the Administrator of UNDP, who, having a status equal to that of the executive head of a major specialized agency, receives a gross salary of $\$ 99,350$ per annum ( $\$ 53,200$ net). Allowing for inflation, as well as common staff costs, the cost for the biennium 1978-1979 is estimated at $\$ 201,400$ (net).

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4. With respect to the second option, the salary of an Under-Secretary-General is $\$ 76,030$ gross per annum ( $\$ 43,900$ net). Using the assumptions as above, the cost for the biennium 1978-1979 is estimated at \$150,000 (net).
5. With respect to the third option, the Secretary-General considers that it would not be appropriate for him, in the absence of specific authorization from the General Assembly, to establish an intermediate level between the two salaries specified above under options 1 and 2. Should the General Assembly agree to an amendment of the Staff Regulations annex I, paragraph l, to make an additional level or levels possible he would give his further attention to this question.
6. The costs of implementing the proposals contained in the Committee's report under these two alternative assumptions are shown in the tables attached.

Table 1 d. COSTS RELATED TO THE PROPOSED ADDITIONAL POSTS RERUESTED IN TABLE 1 c (OPTION 1) Section
$\frac{1978}{\$} \quad \frac{1979}{\$}$

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\begin{array}{lr}
42900 \\
16800 \\
\hline 59700
\end{array} \quad \begin{array}{r}
45100 \\
\hline 62500
\end{array}
$$

"b" 1 ASG, $1 \mathrm{G}-5,1 \mathrm{GS} \underline{a} / \underline{b} /$

| Salaries | 42900 | 45100 | 88000 |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Common staff costs c/ | $\underline{16800}$ | $\frac{17400}{59700}$ | 62500 34200 <br> Otal, section 5C 119400 | 125000 |


|  | Reclassification to USG Reclassification to ASG |
| :---: | :---: |


| Salaries | 11500 | 11800 | 23300 |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Common staff costs c/ | 7000 |  | 7200 |  |
| Total, section 5D | 18500 | 19000 | 37500 |  |

Salaries

Common staff costs $\subseteq$ /
Total, section 5E

| 6700 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 4500 |
| 11200 |$\quad$| 6900 |
| ---: |
| 11500 |$\quad$| 13600 |
| ---: |
| 22700 |



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Table 1 d (continued)

a/ Standard turnover deduction rates applied (50 per cent for Professional posts and 35 per cent for General Service posts).
b/ Does not include any amount for travel for the ASG post requested at this time. Additional resources may be requested in the Secretary-General's revised estimates to be submitted to the thirty-third session of the General Assembly.
c/ Includes representation allowance.
d/ High-level official; calculated on the assumption that this post will be encumbered on 1 January 1978.
e/ Includes travel and subsistence costs for one high-level official, one $D-2$, three $D-1$ for four trips (one to each region).
f/ Represents non-recurrent costs.

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Table l d. COSTS RELATED TO THE PROPOSED ADDITIONAL POSTS REQUESTED IN TABLE 1 c (OPTION 2)

## Section

$\frac{1978}{\$} \quad \frac{1979}{\$} \quad \frac{\text { Total }}{\$}$


| Salaries | 11500 | 11800 | 23300 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Common staff costs c/ | 7000 | 7200 | 14200 |
| Total, section 5D | 18500 | 19000 | 37500 |

$\int_{\text {(new) }}^{5 E} \frac{\text { "e" Reclassification to ASG }}{\text { Salaries }}$
Common staff costs c/
Total, section 5E

Salaries
Common staff costs $c /$
Travel e/
Total, section 5F

| 189600 | 198500 | 388100 |  |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 65300 | 68100 | 133400 |  |
| 30100 | $\frac{31600}{285,000}$ |  | $\frac{61700}{298,200}$ |

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Table l d (continued)

|  | Section | 1978 | 1979 | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| 22 D | Office of General Services, Headquarters |  |  |  |
|  | Furniture | $60600 \mathrm{f} /$ | / | 60600 |
|  | Accommodation | 83400 | 87600 | 171000 |
|  | Communication | 17400 | 18300 | 35700 |
|  | General operating expenses | 6600 | 6900 | 13500 |
|  | To ${ }^{\circ}$ al, section 22D | 168000 | 112800 | 280800 |
| 25 | Staff assessment | 125500 | 128600 | 254100 |
|  | Total, expenditure sections | 727600 | 695100 | 1422700 |
| Income sect-ion 1 | Income from staff assessment | 125500 | 128600 | 254100 |
|  | Net additional requirements | 602100 | 566500 | 1168600 |

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b/ Does not include any amount for travel for the ASG post requested at this time. Additional resources may be requested in the Secretary-General's revised estimates to be submitted to the thirty-third session of the General Assembly.
c/ Includes representation allowance.
d/ Calculated on the assumption that this post will be encumbered on 1 January 1978.
e/ Includes travel and subsistence costs for one Under-Secretary-General, one $D-2$, three $D-1$ for four trips (one to each region).
f/ Represents non-recurrent costs.

