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TO COLONIAL COUNTRIES AND PEOPLES

PROPOSED PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1990-1991

Programme budget implications of draft resolutions A/44/L.55 and A/44/L.56 and the draft resolution recommended by the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples (A/44/23 (Part I), chap. II, para. 5)

Report of the Fifth CommitteeRapporteur: Mr. Etien NINOV (Bulgaria)

1. At its 54th meeting, on 11 December 1989, the Fifth Committee, pursuant to rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, considered the statement by the Secretary-General (A/C.5/44/46) on the programme budget implications of draft resolutions A/44/L.55 and A/44/L.56, and of the draft resolution recommended by the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples in chapter II, paragraph 5, of its report (A/44/23 (Part I)). The related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions was presented orally by its Chairman. A statement concerning the consideration of related issues by the Committee on Conferences was made by its Chairman.

2. Statements and comments made in the course of the Committee's consideration of this item are reflected in the relevant summary record (A/C.5/44/SR.54).

DECISION OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE

3. The Fifth Committee decided, without a vote, to inform the General Assembly that, should it adopt draft resolutions A/44/L.55 and A/44/L.56 and the draft resolution recommended by the Special Committee in chapter II, paragraph 5, of its report (A/44/23 (Part I)), modifications would have to be made in the citation of some outputs under section 3 (Political affairs, trusteeship and decolonization), and 27 (Public information), of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1990-1991, as indicated in paragraph 21 of the Secretary-General's statement.

4. Should the General Assembly adopt draft resolutions A/44/L.55 and A/44/L.56 and the draft resolution recommended by the Special Committee in chapter II, paragraph 5, of its report (A/44/23 (Part I)), the additional requirements for the implementation in 1990 of the activities called for in the draft resolutions would be as follows:

Section 3	\$271,800
Section 27	<u>\$155,100</u>
Total	\$426,900

5. The activities of the Special Committee are of a perennial nature and provisions in the amount of \$533,800 have already been made in the 1990-1991 proposed programme budget under section 3A.2 (Special Committee). The Secretary-General would utilize the 1991-portion of that provision (\$272,600) to finance additional requirements for 1990 under section 3. No additional appropriation would, therefore, be required under section 3 at this stage. Furthermore, no additional appropriation would be required under section 29 (Conference and library services) of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1990-1991.

6. With regard to the additional requirement in the amount of \$155,100 under section 27 of the proposed programme budget for the 1990-1991 biennium, this requirement would constitute an additional expenditure derived from legislative mandates not provided for in the proposed programme budget and would therefore be subject to the guidelines on the use of the contingency fund. In the event that the appropriation required could not be financed from the contingency fund, the Secretary-General, pursuant to the annex to General Assembly resolution 42/211, has identified activities indicated in paragraph 29 of his statement (A/C.5/44/46) for deferral to the biennium 1992-1993 in order to offset the additional costs that would result from the adoption of the draft resolutions.

7. Statements in explanation of position were made by the representatives of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Japan, the United States of America, Australia, Cuba, Algeria, Ghana, the Federal Republic of Germany, Ethiopia and Mexico.
