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Agenda item 37

THE FUTURE OF TOGOLAND UNDER FRENCH ADMINISTRATION

Financial implications of the draft resolution  
proposed by the Fourth Committee (A/3751)

Report of the Fifth Committee

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1. In accordance with rule 154 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, the Fifth Committee, at its 629th meeting, considered the financial implications of the draft resolution proposed by the Fourth Committee (A/3751) regarding the future of Togoland under French administration.
2. The Committee had before it a note by the Secretary-General (A/C.5/730) in which he estimated that the draft resolution, if adopted, would give rise to expenditures of the order of \$157,400. The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions reported orally on the conclusions reached by that Committee as a result of its review of the estimates.
3. The Advisory Committee felt that it would be possible to achieve some savings in the proposed estimates, especially in the estimates for travel and subsistence of staff and for local transportation. It noted that the estimate for subsistence costs was based on the normal rates applicable to staff, although the possibility of establishing special mission rates, as had been done in the case of the 1956 mission to Togoland under British administration, in the light of local living costs and other factors, had not been precluded. The Advisory Committee suggested that, within a month after the arrival of the mission in the field, the Controller might send one of his staff to undertake a survey of local conditions as they affected the mission personnel and to make recommendations to him concerning an appropriate rate of subsistence allowance for the staff.

4. The Advisory Committee further drew attention to the fact that the actual expenditures for the 1956 mission to Togoland under British administration had amounted only to some \$106,000 as against an approved estimate of \$135,000, a point which was underlined in the discussion in the Fifth Committee with reference to the Secretary-General's estimates for the present mission. The Advisory Committee concluded that the draft resolution, if adopted, would give rise to expenditures which would certainly not exceed the estimate submitted by the Secretary-General, and which might indeed prove to be considerably less.

5. The Fifth Committee decided, without objection, to inform the General Assembly that the draft resolution of the Fourth Committee on the future of Togoland under French administration, if adopted by the General Assembly, would give rise to expenditures estimated not to exceed \$157,400.

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