



Nineteenth session

UNITED NATIONS EMERGENCY FORCE

COST ESTIMATES FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE FORCE*

Report of the Secretary-General

1. Prior to the decisions taken by the General Assembly at its 1330th meeting on 18 February 1965, inter alia, to adopt the "interim financial arrangements and authorizations for 1965" (resolution 2004 (XIX)) and to recess the nineteenth session of the General Assembly until 1 September 1965, the Secretary-General had prepared the budget estimates for the maintenance and operation of the United Nations Emergency Force during 1965, which are annexed hereto.
2. Although the decisions taken by the General Assembly preclude the possibility of following the normal procedure by which it would review and approve such estimates before commitments and expenditures were incurred, the Secretary-General nevertheless believes it would be useful if the General Assembly were to be informed of the estimates that had been prepared, and to be made aware of the reasons that caused his estimates for 1965 to exceed the amounts appropriated by the General Assembly for the Force for 1964.
3. The 1965 estimates, which were predicated on the assumption that the Force would have an average strength throughout the year of 4,600 officers and other ranks, totalled \$18,367,000, as compared to revised 1964 estimates (A/C.5/1001) which totalled \$18,122,300, and an appropriation by the General Assembly for 1964 totalling \$17,750,000.
4. While the 1965 estimates for part A of the budget, which relates to operating costs incurred by the United Nations, continued to show a decrease from the corresponding estimates for previous years, and were approximately \$230,000 less

* Item 19 (b) of the provisional agenda.

than the amount shown in the Secretary-General's revised 1964 estimates, the amount estimated for part B of the budget for 1965, which relates to the reimbursement of the extra and extraordinary costs incurred by Governments providing contingents to the Force, show an increase of approximately \$475,000 as compared to the revised 1964 estimates.

5. The increase in the part B estimate for 1965 was attributable to the fact that an analysis of claims received from Governments late in 1963 and during the past year, together with the results obtained during 1964 in concluding with the Governments concerned negotiations which have extended over several years regarding the reimbursements to be made for equipment, made it apparent that inadequate provision was made for such reimbursement costs in the 1964 revised estimates as well as in the estimates for some prior years. While, by deferring certain purchases planned for 1964, and by transferring credits from part A to part B of the budget to cover the unanticipated increase in the reimbursement costs, it was possible through 1964 to keep the total expenditures and commitments for the operation of the Force within the total amounts appropriated by the General Assembly for that purpose, it would not be possible without the increase indicated to reimburse Governments in full for the extra costs they would incur in providing contingents totalling 4,600 officers and other ranks for the Force during 1965.

6. In view of the General Assembly's decision regarding the interim financial arrangements and authorizations for 1965 the Secretary-General will, of course, enforce the strictest possible economies during 1965 in respect of the operating costs of the Force and in particular will substantially reduce the number of locally-recruited civilian personnel and defer procurement of equipment and supplies in all possible cases. It is not, however, open to the Secretary-General on his own authority to decide that the Force should be drastically curtailed in military strength or be withdrawn; nor is it open to him to modify the policies approved by the General Assembly for the reimbursement to Governments of the extra and extraordinary costs they incur in providing contingents to the Force.

7. As a result of the guarding and patrolling by the Force along the Armistice Demarcation Line in the Gaza Strip and the International Frontier in the Sinai Peninsula, this area has continued during the past year to remain free of any serious incidents. In view of this, the Secretary-General hopes that, between now and the time the General Assembly next meets, the Members will weigh the

serious consequences that are likely to follow if, for financial reasons, the Force had to be drastically reduced or withdrawn altogether.

8. Further, in view of the over-all financial difficulties confronting the Organization, the Secretary-General ventures to hope that those Member Governments which have supported the Force financially in the past will not fail to do so now and that they and others will make advance payments towards the expenses of the Force in amounts not less than 80 per cent of their assessed contributions for the financial year 1964, pending decisions by the General Assembly on the level of appropriations and the scale of assessments for 1965, and subject to such retroactive adjustments as may then be called for.

UNITED NATIONS EMERGENCY FORCE

Budget estimates for the period 1 January to 31 December 1965
 (with 1964 approved budget amounts and 1963 expenses)

| | 1965 budget estimates | 1964 budget estimates revised A/C.5/1001 | 1963 expenses |
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United States dollars

PART A. Operating costs incurred by the United Nations

Section 1. MILITARY PERSONNEL

Chapter

| | | | |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| I. Allowances | 1,440,000 | 1,503,000 | 1,566,005 |
| II. Rotation of contingents | 1,453,000 | 1,435,000 | 1,511,974 |
| III. Travel and subsistence | <u>110,000</u> | <u>125,000</u> | <u>116,115</u> |
| Total, section I | 3,003,000 | 3,063,000 | 3,194,094 |

Section 2. OPERATIONAL EXPENSES

Chapter

| | | | |
|---|---------|---------|-----------|
| I. Purchase of equipment | | | |
| (i) Motor transport and heavy mobile equipment | 225,000 | 227,300 | 258,049 |
| (ii) Miscellaneous operational equipment | 110,000 | 83,300 | 132,156 |
| II. Maintenance and operation of equipment | | | |
| (i) Maintenance and operation of motor transport, heavy mobile equipment and stationary engines | 610,000 | 716,000 | 741,948 |
| (ii) Operation of aircraft | 419,000 | 470,200 | 343,095 |
| III. Supplies and services | | | |
| (i) Stationery and office supplies | 60,000 | 50,000 | 60,749 |
| (ii) Operational supplies and services | 898,000 | 825,000 | 1,047,032 |

| | 1965 budget estimates | 1964 budget estimates revised A/C.5/1001 | 1963 expenses |
|---|-----------------------------|--|------------------|
| | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| IV. Communications services | 32,000 | 38,000 | 31,544 |
| V. Freight, cartage and express | 300,000 | 381,000 | 358,562 |
| VI. External audit | 15,000 | 15,000 | 14,600 |
| VII. Claims and adjustments | 5,000 | 5,000 | 4,600 |
| Total, section 2 | 2,674,000 | 2,810,800 | 2,992,335 |
| Section 3. RENTAL OF PREMISES | 170,000 | 165,000 | 169,275 |
| Section 4. RATIONS | 1,100,000 | 1,145,000 | 1,140,761 |
| Section 5. WELFARE | | | |
| <u>Chapter</u> | | | |
| I. Leave centre | 310,000 | 337,000 | 352,775 |
| II. Recreational and sports supplies | 23,000 | 27,000 | 35,700 |
| III. Films | 72,000 | 72,000 | 70,000 |
| IV. Live shows | 10,000 | 21,000 | 20,000 |
| V. Postage for personal mail | 63,000 | 68,000 | 65,698 |
| Total, section 5 | 478,000 | 525,000 | 544,173 |
| Section 6. NON-MILITARY PERSONNEL | | | |
| <u>Chapter</u> | | | |
| I. Salaries of international staff | 740,000 | 749,000 | 734,539 |
| II. Salaries and wages of locally- recruited staff | 850,000 | 815,000 | 840,397 |
| III. Common staff costs | 195,000 | 165,000 | 172,451 |
| IV. Travel and subsistence | 237,000 | 238,000 | 238,402 |
| Total, section 6 | 2,022,000 | 1,967,000 | 1,985,789 |
| Section 7. CONTINGENCIES | 100,000 | 100,000 | - |
| Total, part A | 9,547,000 | 9,775,800 | 10,026,427 |

| | 1965 budget estimates | 1964 budget estimates revised A/C.5/1001 | 1963 expenses |
|---|-----------------------------|--|------------------|
| | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| <u>PART B. Reimbursement of extra and extraordinary costs incurred by Governments providing contingents</u> | | | |
| Section 8. REIMBURSEMENT IN RESPECT OF EXTRA AND EXTRAORDINARY COSTS RELATING TO PAY AND ALLOWANCES OF CONTINGENTS | 7,945,000 | 7,690,000 | 8,250,000 |
| Section 9. REIMBURSEMENT IN RESPECT OF EQUIPMENT, MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES FURNISHED BY GOVERN- MENTS TO THEIR CONTINGENTS . . . | 800,000 | 581,500 | 600,000 |
| Section 10. REIMBURSEMENT IN RESPECT OF DEATH AND DISABILITY AWARDS ON BEHALF OF MEMBERS OF CONTINGENTS | 75,000 | 75,000 | 75,000 |
| Total, part B | 8,820,000 | 8,346,500 | 8,925,000 |
| GRAND TOTAL | 18,367,000 | 18,122,300 | 18,951,427 |
