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Financial implications of draft resolution V proposed by the Second Committee (A/5360)

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 considered, at its 981st meeting held on 18 December 1962, the financial implications of a draft resolution on the question of assistance to Rwanda and Burundi proposed by the Second Committee (A/5360, draft resolution V).

2. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it reports of the Secretary-General (A/C.5/968) and the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/5372).

3. The Committee took note of the observations of the Advisory Committee in paragraph 7 of its report (A/5372) to the effect that the project for the development and training of security forces, estimated at \$216,000, did not lend itself to being financed, under existing policies, either from Expanded Programme or regular technical assistance funds, and that the General Assembly might accordingly wish to consider, as an exceptional procedure, authorizing the Secretary-General to meet, under the resolution on unforeseen and extraordinary expenses and with the prior concurrence of the Advisory Committee, such of the costs of the project during 1963 as could not be met from other resources which might become available, up to an amount not exceeding \$200,000.

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4. The Fifth Committee decided, by 60 votes to 6, with 4 abstentions, to inform the General Assembly that the financial implications of technical assistance to Burundi and Rwanda would be met if the following were added to the draft resolution as new operative paragraphs 5 and 6.

"5. <u>Requests</u> the Secretary-General, in consultation with the Executive Chairman of the Technical Assistance Board and the specialized agencies concerned, where necessary, to seek means, under all appropriate existing technical programmes, to obtain allocations of funds sufficient to execute the projects initiated in 1962 for which funds are not as yet allocated;

"6. Authorizes the Secretary-General, in the light of paragraph 5 and as an exceptional procedure, to incur, with the prior concurrence of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, expenses necessary to assure execution of the 1962 projects, to the extent that other resources are not available, up to an amount of \$200,000."

5. As regards the request (para. 4 of the draft resolution) that the Secretary-General should include provision for the continuance of the 1962 projects in his initial budget estimates for 1964 and 1965, the Fifth Committee endorsed the Advisory Committee's assumption that, apart from any requirement that might then be foreseen in respect of advisory services for the development and training of security forces, the request would not necessitate specific additional budgetary credits.
