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BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 1954

United Nations Tribunal in Eritrea

Revised estimates for section 5 (Investigations and Inquiries)

Seventeenth report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions to the eighth session of the General Assembly

1. The requirements for the continuance during 1954 of the United Nations Tribunal in Eritrea are estimated by the Secretary-General at \$28,100 (A/C.5/551).
2. The Tribunal, which was established by General Assembly resolution 530 (VI) of 29 January 1952, is required, upon the request of an appropriate authority, to issue such instructions as may be necessary for the purpose of giving effect to that resolution or to decide in any case of dispute regarding the interpretation and application of its provisions. Any such request must be submitted not later than 31 December 1953. Only one request has so far been made.
3. The item of \$16,400 for temporary assistance includes sums of \$2,000 to be paid to each of the three members of this Tribunal, who also serve on the United Nations Tribunal in Libya. This payment, which is made on an annual basis, represents in part a supplementary remuneration for the added responsibilities of the members and in part a commutation of subsistence expenses to be incurred during any periods spent in Eritrea. The Advisory Committee is informed that the members of the Tribunal did not have occasion to visit Eritrea during the first ten months of 1953.
4. It may reasonably be assumed that with so light a calendar the Tribunal will be able to complete its whole work before the end of 1954. On this basis the Advisory Committee recommends an appropriation of \$25,000 under section 5, Investigations and Inquiries, representing a reduction of \$3,100 in the estimate submitted by the Secretary-General.

5. The provisional appropriation already recommended by the Advisory Committee^{1/} for section 5 as a whole amounts to \$2 million. The estimate in document A/C.5/551 is the second of a series to be submitted as detailed justification for this tentative figure.

^{1/} See Official Records of the General Assembly, Eighth Session, Supplement No.7, document A/2403, paragraphs 74-76.