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Financial implications of the draft resolution contained in document A/C.1/34/L.12/Rev.1

Statement of the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly

1. Under the terms of the draft resolution contained in document A/C.1/34/L.12/Rev.1, the General Assembly, would, <u>inter alia</u>, request the Secretary-General:

(a) "... with the assistance of qualified experts, to prepare a study on the Israeli nuclear armament and to report to the General Assembly at its thirty-sixth session".

(b) "... to submit a progress report on the work of the group of experts to the General Assemb⊥y at its thirty-fifth session".

2. To prepare the study requested in the draft resolution, the Secretary-General would intend to utilize the services of a team of consultants, consisting of five qualified specialists, who would work for up to six months each, over the next 20 months. The consultants would mainly work in their home countries but would meet periodically in New York to co-ordinate their work in conjunction with the Centre for Disarmament. Other travel may be required by the nature of their research. The cost of these consultancy services is estimated at \$160,000, including fees, daily subsistence allowance and travel.

3. The preparation of a progress report to the thirty-fifth session of the General Assembly and the report to the thirty-sixth session would require the provision of conference services for the translation and typing, in six languages, and reproduction and distribution of 200 pages of documentation (50 pages for the interim report and 150 pages for the final report).

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The cost of conference servicing is estimated at \$101,900, summarized as follows:

	Interim report	Final report
Translation and typing	\$23,100	\$69,200
Reproduction and distribution	2,400	7,200
TOTAL	\$25,500	\$76,400
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4. Thus, should the General Assembly adopt the draft resolution contained in document A/C.1/34/L.12/Rev.1, additional expenditures of up to \$261,900 would need to be incurred.

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