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Completion of the work of the United Nations Conference on  
Restrictive Business Practices

Administrative and financial implications of the draft decision  
contained in document A/C.2/34/L.126

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

1. In the draft decision contained in document A/C.2/34/L.126, the General Assembly (a) would take note of the resolution of the United Nations Conference on Restrictive Business Practices on the completion of the work of the Conference adopted on 8 December 1979, (b) would decide to convene a resumed session of the Conference of two weeks' duration in 1980, and (c) would request the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development to take the necessary measures to that effect, including the procedures for consultations provided for in Trade and Development Board resolution 143 (XVI).

2. Should the draft decision be adopted, it is estimated that the full cost of the resumption of the Conference would be \$207,000 on the basis of the following assumptions:

(a) that the Conference would be reconvened in Geneva for a period of two weeks in 1980;

(b) that it would be serviced in six languages by two teams and a caucus team of interpreters;

(c) that it would require the use of four conference rooms; and

(d) that it would be provided with 20 pages of pre-session, 50 pages of in-session, and 30 pages of post-session documentation.

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3. The above estimate of conference servicing requirements amounting to \$207,000 has been made on the basis of full costing, i.e., without taking into account any absorptive capacity on the part of the conference services. The related net requirements will therefore be considered in the context of the consolidated statement to be submitted to the General Assembly towards the end of its current session.

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