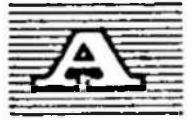


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UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM FOR IMPROVING THE EFFECTIVE  
ENJOYMENT OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS

PROPOSED PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1980-1981

Administrative and financial implications of the draft  
resolution contained in document A/C.3/34/L.16

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

1. Under operative paragraph 1 of the draft resolution contained in document A/C.3/34/L.16 the General Assembly would request the Secretary-General to redesignate the Division of Human Rights as Centre for Human Rights, the head of which should be an Assistant Secretary-General.
2. Moreover, under operative paragraph 2 the General Assembly would invite the Secretary-General to ensure that adequate financial and other resources are allocated to the Centre for Human Rights so as to enable it to discharge its functions, and specifically request the Secretary-General to ensure that the importance of human rights in the goals of the United Nations and its place as one of the most important programmes should be reflected in the percentage of resources from the United Nations budget allocated to the human rights programme.
3. Should the Third Committee recommend to the General Assembly the adoption of this draft resolution the provisions of operative paragraphs 1 and 3 would be referred to the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions of the General Assembly, together with the Secretary-General's recommendations for their implementation.
4. Initially these recommendations would include only a proposal for the implementation of the provision of operative paragraph 1, entailing the redesignation of the Division of Human Rights as Centre for Human Rights and the upgrading of the post of the head of the Centre from the D-2 level to the Assistant

Secretary-General level, the related costs, of which, for the biennium 1980-1981, would amount to \$25,800.

5. As to the provisions of operative paragraph 3 the Secretary-General, after having carried out a review of the functions of the Centre for Human Rights and of the resources allocated to it, would submit appropriate recommendations to the General Assembly in due course.

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