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PROPOSED PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1980-1981

Administrative and financial implications of the draft
resolution contained in document A/C.3/34/L.29Statement submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance with
rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly

1. Under paragraph 12 of the draft resolution contained in document A/C.3/34/L.29 the General Assembly would urge the Secretary-General to take all possible steps to provide necessary additional staff and services, including reference services to the Division of Human Rights to enable it to assist effectively the Human Rights Committee and the Economic and Social Council in the implementation of their respective functions under the International Covenants on Human Rights.
2. It may be recalled that in the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1980-1981 the Secretary-General has requested under section 23, Human Rights, 1/ one additional P-3 post for the International Instruments Unit of the Division of Human Rights, which assists the relevant human rights organs in the implementation of the International Covenants on Human Rights.
3. Before making further proposals for the implementation of paragraph 12 of this draft resolution, he would await the results of the review of the organization and staffing of the Division which he intends to undertake in accordance with the request of the Economic and Social Council in its resolution 1979/36, as indicated in an oral statement by the Secretary of the Third Committee at the 36th meeting of the Committee in relation to agenda item 87. In the light of these results he would then present appropriate proposals to the General Assembly at its thirty-fifth session.

1/ See document A/34/6, paras. 23.15 to 23.20.