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PROPOSED PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1980-1981

GENERAL AND COMPLETE DISARMAMENT

CONFIDENCE-BUILDING MEASURES

Financial implications of the draft resolution
contained in document A/C.1/34/L.20/Rev.1

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

1. The First Committee, at its 41st meeting held on 23 November 1979, adopted the draft resolution contained in document A/C.1/34/L.20/Rev.1. It had before it a statement of financial implications (A/C.1/34/L.44).
2. Under the terms of the draft resolution contained in document A/C.1/34/L.20/Rev.1, the General Assembly would:
 1. Decide to undertake a comprehensive study on confidence-building measures, taking into account the answers received by the Secretary-General as contained in document A/34/416;
 2. Request the Secretary-General to carry out the study with the assistance of a group of qualified governmental experts appointed by him on a balanced geographical basis and to submit it to the General Assembly at its thirty-sixth session;
 3. Request the Secretary-General to submit a progress report on the work of the group of governmental experts to the General Assembly at its thirty-fifth session.
3. Should the draft resolution be adopted, additional expenditures would be incurred in an amount of \$308,200 based on the following assumptions:

- Ten governmental experts would hold one meeting in Geneva 1/ in April 1980 and three meetings in New York in August 1980 and in February and July 1981;
- One consultant at a level equivalent to a P-5 post would be required for a total of three months over the period up to the thirty-sixth session of the General Assembly to co-ordinate the work of the experts;
- One staff member would travel from Headquarters to Geneva to serve as Secretary of the group;
- Interpretation would be provided in four languages (English, French, Russian and Spanish);
- Translation would be required in three languages (French, Russian and Spanish);
- The volume of in, pre- and post-session documentation would amount to 20 pages for the first meeting, 120 pages for the second meeting, and 200 pages each for the third and fourth meetings.

4. The expenditures indicated above would be distributed as follows:

A. Conference servicing

| | April 1980 | August 1980 | Feb. 1981 | July 1981 | Total |
|---|---------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|
| 1. Interpretation | 9,900 | 10,100 | 20,300 | 20,300 | 60,600 |
| 2. Translation, revision and typing of documentation | 7,600 | 31,900 | 52,000 | 52,000 | 143,500 |
| 3. Reproduction and distribution | 500 | 3,800 | 5,900 | 5,900 | 16,100 |
| Total under A | 18,000 | 45,800 | 78,200 | 78,200 | 220,200 |
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| B. <u>Substantive requirements</u> | | | | | |
| 1. Travel and daily subsistence allowance for 10 governmental experts | | | | | 70,000 |
| 2. Consultants, (fees, travel and daily subsistence) | | | | | 16,500 |
| 3. Travel for the Secretary of the Group | | | | | 1,500 |
| Total under B | | | | | 88,000 |
| GRAND TOTAL | | | | | <u>308,200</u> |

5. The estimated costs of services totalling \$220,200 as indicated above are based on full cost, at current rates. Towards the close of the present session of the General Assembly, when the definitive pattern of conferences for 1980 is considered, it will be indicated in the consolidated statement of conference servicing requirements to be submitted at that time to what extent the costs in respect of conference servicing dealt with in this document can be absorbed within existing resources. Therefore, should the General Assembly adopt the draft resolution contained in A/C.1/34/L.20/Rev.1, additional appropriations will be required under section 2B for travel and subsistence in the amount of \$71,500 and for consultants in the amount of \$16,500, totalling \$88,000.
