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Programme budget implications of draft resolution [A/72/L.7](#)

Report of the Fifth Committee

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1. At its 28th and 29th meetings, on 20 and 23 December 2017, the Fifth Committee, pursuant to rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, considered the statement submitted by the Secretary-General on the programme budget implications of draft resolution [A/72/L.7 \(A/C.5/72/18\)](#) and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions ([A/72/7/Add.42](#)). The statements and comments made in the course of the Fifth Committee's consideration of this question are reflected in the relevant summary records.¹

2. At its 29th meeting, the Committee had before it a draft decision ([A/C.5/72/L.15](#), sect. F), submitted by the Chair of the Committee on the basis of informal consultations coordinated by the representative of Pakistan. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft decision [A/C.5/72/L.15](#) without a vote (see para. 4).

3. At the same meeting, following the adoption of the draft decision, the representative of the Russian Federation made a statement indicating that the Russian Federation wished to disassociate itself from the adoption of the draft decision.

¹ [A/C.5/72/SR.28](#) and [A/C.5/72/SR.29](#).



Decision of the Fifth Committee

4. The Fifth Committee, having considered the statement of programme budget implications submitted by the Secretary-General¹ and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,² decides to inform the General Assembly that, should it adopt draft resolution [A/72/L.7](#), resources amounting to 2,155,500 United States dollars would be required under section 2, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management (1,929,800 dollars), under section 28, Public information (131,400 dollars), and under section 34, Safety and security (94,300 dollars), of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2018–2019, representing a charge against the contingency fund.

¹ [A/C.5/72/18](#).

² [A/72/7/Add.42](#).