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SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 1973

Administrative and financial implications of the draft resolution  
recommended by the Special Political Committee (A/9276, para. 12)

Report of the Fifth Committee

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1. At its 1595th meeting, on 8 November 1973, the Fifth Committee, in compliance with rule 155 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, considered the statement by the Secretary-General (A/C.5/1542) on the administrative and financial implications of the draft resolution recommended by the Special Political Committee in part I of its report on agenda item 103 (A/9276, para. 12).
2. Under the terms of that draft resolution, the General Assembly would request the United Nations Scientific Committee on the Effects of Atomic Radiation to meet as soon as possible in order to make a study of the most recent documents which have been or may shortly be transmitted to the Secretariat and to update, with a view to their resubmission to the General Assembly at its current session, the conclusions contained in its latest report. 1/
3. In his statement (A/C.5/1542), the Secretary-General indicated that the total requirements related to the adoption of the draft resolution amounted to \$26,600, comprising \$20,000 for the travel and subsistence of the members of the Scientific Committee on the Effects of Atomic Radiation and \$6,600 for the travel, subsistence and honoraria for two consultants to prepare the necessary documentation for the meeting and to assist the Secretariat during the meeting.

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1/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-seventh Session,  
Supplement No. 25 (A/8725 and Corr.1).

4. In an oral report, the Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions indicated that the Advisory Committee concurred in the estimate of the financial requirements as submitted in the statement by the Secretary-General and that these requirements would be taken into account in the Advisory Committee's consideration of the supplementary estimates for the financial year 1973.

5. One delegation indicated that it considered the proposal to call for a special group of meetings of the Scientific Committee as wasteful and unjustified, since in its ordinary course of business the Committee would meet in March 1974.

6. The Fifth Committee decided, without objection, to inform the General Assembly that, should it adopt the draft resolution recommended by the Special Political Committee in part I of its report on agenda item 103 (A/9276, para. 12), additional requirements in the amount of \$26,600 would arise in the budget for the financial year 1973, it being understood that the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions would deal with these additional requirements in the context of its examination of the supplementary estimates for the financial year 1973.

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