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PROPOSED PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1980-1981

REVIEW OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS AND DECISIONS  
ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT ITS TENTH SPECIAL SESSION

MONITORING OF DISARMAMENT AGREEMENTS AND STRENGTHENING  
OF INTERNATIONAL SECURITY

Administrative and financial implications of the draft  
resolution contained in document A/C.1/34/L.21

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.21. It had before it a statement of financial implications (A/C.1/34/L.42).
2. Under the terms of the draft resolution contained in document A/C.1/34/L.21, the General Assembly would request the Secretary-General to carry out, with the assistance of the Group of Governmental Experts previously constituted, an in-depth study on the technical, legal and financial implications of establishing an international satellite monitoring agency, to be submitted to the Preparatory Committee for the Special Session of the General Assembly Devoted to Disarmament no later than June 1981.
3. Should the draft resolution be adopted, the following expenditures would be incurred:

Conference services

The cost of providing conference services to meetings which would be held by the governmental experts is estimated at \$295,300. These estimates, which are detailed in the annex to this report, are based on the following assumptions:

(a) Four meetings will be held in February, May and September 1980 and in March 1981.

(b) The meetings will be held in Geneva. The 1st and 4th meetings will last one week, the 2nd and 3rd meetings will last two weeks.

(c) Interpretation will be provided for each of the meetings in three languages (English, French and Spanish).

(d) Translation, revision and typing of pre-session, in-session and post-session documentation for the first two meetings will be provided in three languages (English, French, Spanish).

(e) For the last two meetings, translation, revision and typing of pre-session and in-session documentation will be provided in three languages (English, French, Spanish) and for post-session documentation, in six languages (Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian, Spanish).

(f) For each of the meetings the volume of documentation is estimated at 10 pages for pre-session documentation, 100 pages for in-session documentation, and 100 pages for post-session documentation. Detailed calculation is contained in the annex to the present document. It should be mentioned that the conference servicing requirements are estimated on a full-cost basis. The extent to which they would be absorbed would be determined in the context of the consolidated statements of the conference servicing requirements which would be submitted at a later stage.

#### Other requirements

4. The holding of the meetings of the governmental experts would also require an amount of \$146,900 for the following:

(a) An amount of \$88,000 for travel and daily subsistence allowance for the experts.

(b) An amount of \$12,200 for travel and daily subsistence allowance for two staff members from the substantive department (including the Assistant Secretary-General, who would act as the personal representative of the Secretary-General).

(c) An amount of \$46,700 to hire two consultants for three months each, at a salary roughly equivalent to that of staff at the D-1 level, to provide specialized technical expertise required for the study.

#### Summary of expenditures

5. The estimated costs for conference servicing indicated in paragraph 3 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 draft resolution contained in document A/C.1/34/L.21 be adopted, additional appropriations will be required under section 2 B for travel in the amount of \$100,200 and for consultants in the amount of \$46,700, totalling \$146,900.

Annex

Cost of the conference servicing for the Group of Governmental  
Experts on the question of the establishment of an international  
satellite monitoring agency

|                               | <u>February</u><br><u>1980</u> | <u>May</u><br><u>1980</u> | <u>September</u><br><u>1980</u> | <u>March</u><br><u>1981</u> | <u>Total</u>   |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|
|                               | \$                             | \$                        | \$                              | \$                          | \$             |
| Interpretation                | 12 978                         | 25 956                    | 25 956                          | 12 978                      | 77 868         |
| Documentation                 |                                |                           |                                 |                             |                |
| Pre-session                   | 1 409                          | 1 409                     | 1 409                           | 1 409                       | 5 636          |
| In-session                    | 18 396                         | 18 396                    | 18 396                          | 18 396                      | 73 584         |
| Post-session                  | 18 396                         | 18 396                    | 43 876                          | 43 876                      | 124 544        |
| Reproduction and distribution | 1 755                          | 1 755                     | 1 755                           | 1 755                       | 7 020          |
| Other conference staff        | 1 113                          | 2 226                     | 2 226                           | 1 113                       | 6 678          |
| Total                         | <u>54 047</u>                  | <u>68 138</u>             | <u>93 618</u>                   | <u>79 527</u>               | <u>295 330</u> |

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