

**Meeting of the States Parties to the Convention
on the Prohibition of the Development,
Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological
(Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their
Destruction**

6 December 2019

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2019 Meeting

Geneva, 3-6 December 2019

Agenda item 10

**Arrangements for the Ninth Review Conference
and its Preparatory Committee in 2021**

**Estimated costs of the Preparatory Committee and Ninth Review
Conference of the States Parties to the Convention on the Prohibition
of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological
(Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction**

Note by the Secretariat

1. By operative paragraph 10 of resolution 73/87, adopted without a vote on 5 December 2018, the General Assembly, inter alia, requested the Secretary-General to continue to render the necessary assistance to the depositary Governments of the Convention and to continue to provide such services as may be required for the conduct and the implementation of the decisions and recommendations of the review conferences.
2. This document is submitted pursuant to the above-mentioned resolution and in accordance with the decision of the Eighth Review Conference to convene the Ninth Review Conference not later than 2021.¹ Estimated costs of conference and non-conference servicing of the Review Conference and its Preparatory Committee in 2021 amount to US\$ 1,864,700 (including the costs of the Implementation Support Unit in 2021). A breakdown of these costs is annexed.
3. It should be noted that the costs are estimated on the basis of past experience and anticipated workload. The actual costs will be determined after the closure of the sessions and completion of related work, with all relevant expenditures recorded in the accounts. At that time, any adjustments in contributions by the participants sharing the costs will be determined accordingly.
4. With regard to the financial arrangements, consistent with the decision of the Eighth Review Conference for the current intersessional programme², the costs of the Ninth Review Conference, including those pertaining to its Preparatory Committee, would be shared by all States Parties to the Convention, based on the United Nations scale of assessment pro-rated to take into account differences in membership between the Convention and the United Nations.
5. Subject to the States Parties' approval of the estimated costs and cost-sharing formula, assessment notices will be prepared based on the overall estimated costs and applicable cost-sharing formula. Since the above-mentioned activities shall have no financial implication for the regular budget of the Organization, States Parties should proceed with the payment of their share of the estimated costs as soon as assessment notices are received.

¹ See BWC/CONF.VIII/7, Part II, paragraph 77.

² See BWC/CONF.VIII/7, Part III, paragraph 11.



	Preparatory Committee and Ninth Review Conference of the States Parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their							
Title of session:	Destruction							
Dates to be held:	Location Geneva, TBC, 22 working days - with summary records, interpretation and translation							
Conference-servicing items	Meeting Servicing *	Pre-session documentation *	In-session documentation *	Summary records *	Post-session documentation *	Support Services requirements *	Other requirements *	Total *
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Interpretation and meeting servicing	401,800	-	-	-	-	-	-	401,800
Documentation (translation, reproduction and distribution)	-	238,300	4,400	122,000	73,500	-	-	438,200
Support Services requirements ^{1/}	-	-	-	-	-	-	17,600	17,600
Other requirements ^{2/}	-	-	-	-	-	-	100,000	100,000
Total	401,800	238,300	4,400	122,000	73,500	-	117,600	957,600
* - at US\$								
	A. Total conference-servicing requirements (inclusive of 13% programme support costs)							957,600
	B. Non-conference-servicing requirements:							
	Included in separate cost estimate							
	Sub-total:							-
	Programme support costs @ 13% of B							-
	Total B:							-
	Grand total (rounded) A+B:							957,600
1/ Sound technician/recording (2 x 22 days) \$17,600								
2/ Rental of computer and printer for 22 days \$300; Documents control officer (1 x 22 days) \$6,800; Secretary (2 x 40 days) \$32,800; Webcasting for 12 days \$9,200; Dedicated assistance provided for accounting services and administration of financial resources \$50,900.								

