Fortieth session
FIRST COMMITTEE
Agenda item 66

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECLARATION OF THE INDIAN OCEAN AS A ZONE OF PEACE:
REPORT OF THE AD HOC COMMITTEE ON THE INDIAN OCEAN

Programme budget implications of the draft resolution contained in document A/40/29

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

A. Requests contained in the draft resolution

1. Under the terms of operative paragraphs 9, 10, and 14 of the draft resolution contained in document A/40/29, the General Assembly would:

   (a) Renew the mandate of the Ad Hoc Committee as defined in the relevant resolutions and request the Committee to intensify its work with regard to the implementation of its mandate;

   (b) Request the Ad Hoc Committee to hold three preparatory sessions in 1986 each of two weeks' duration for completion of preparatory work;

   (c) Request the Secretary-General to continue to render all necessary assistance to the Ad Hoc Committee, including the provision of summary records, in recognition of its preparatory function.

B. Relationship of proposed requests to the approved programme of work

2. The activities proposed fall under chapter 1, Political and Security Council Affairs activities, programme 2, Activities of the Department for Disarmament Affairs, subprogramme 1, Deliberation and negotiation, of the medium-term plan for
the period 1984-1989. 1/ It should also be recalled that annually, since 1971, the General Assembly has requested the Ad Hoc Committee to continue its activities, most recently under resolution 39/149 of 17 December 1984.

C. Activities by which the proposed requests would be implemented

3. Should the General Assembly adopt the draft resolution, the Secretary-General would undertake the necessary preparations for, and servicing of, three sessions of the Ad Hoc Committee in 1986.

D. Modifications required in the approved programme of work

4. The substantive servicing of the Ad Hoc Committee on the Indian Ocean in both 1986 and 1987 by the Secretariat has been approved as an output under programme element 1.4 of subprogramme 1, Deliberation and negotiation, of section 2B of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1986-1987. Accordingly, no modification of the approved programme of work for the biennium would be required.

E. Additional requirements at full cost

5. Should the General Assembly decide to adopt the draft resolution contained in document A/40/29, it is assumed that the Ad Hoc Committee would hold three sessions in 1986 in New York, the first from 10 to 21 February, the second from 7 to 18 April and the third from 7 to 18 July. The meetings would require the provision of interpretation in the six languages of the General Assembly, translation of pre-session documentation of 115 pages (23 documents), in-session documentation of 225 pages (47 documents) and post-session documentation of 200 pages (25 documents) to be issued in the six languages of the General Assembly and the provision of summary records in the six languages of the General Assembly. The related full cost of provision of conference servicing is estimated at $536,600 for the first session, $645,400 for the second session and $806,700 for the third session of the Ad Hoc Committee, as follows:

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Pre-session documentation
(15 pages of 3 documents in A, C, E, F, R, S)  
(50 pages of 10 documents in A, C, E, F, R, S)  

Meeting servicing
Interpretation (A, C, E, F, R, S)  
83,200 83,200 83,200  

In-session documentation
(50 pages of 12 documents in A, C, E, F, R, S)  
(75 pages of 15 documents in A, C, E, F, R, S)  
(100 pages of 20 documents in A, C, E, F, R, S)  

Post-session documentation
(50 pages of 10 documents in A, C, E, F, R, S)  
(75 pages of 10 documents in A, C, E, F, R, S)  
(75 pages of 5 documents in A, C, E, F, R, S)  

Summary records (20 meetings in A, C, E, F, R, S)  
281,600 281,600 281,600  

Requirements of the Office of General Services  
22,600 22,600 22,600  

Total  
536,600 645,400 806,700  

F. Request for additional appropriation

6. The estimates of conference-servicing costs indicated above are provided on the basis of full costing, i.e. on the assumption that no part of the conference-servicing requirements would be made available from within existing resources. Towards the close of the present session of the General Assembly, a consolidated statement of conference-servicing requirements will be submitted through which net additional resources will be requested in the light of the calendar of conferences for the year 1986 as approved by the General Assembly.

Notes
