BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 1968

Revised estimates for Section 2. Special meetings and conferences

Conference of non-nuclear weapon States

Report by the Secretary-General

1. The General Assembly in resolution 2153 B (XXI) of 17 November 1966, decided to convene the above-mentioned conference not later than July 1968, and set up a Preparatory Committee to make the appropriate arrangements. Pending the Assembly's approval of the recommendations of the Preparatory Committee, an item pro memoria only was inserted in Section 2 of the Budget Estimates for 1968, in respect of the financial provision for the expenses of the conference.

2. The report of the Preparatory Committee1/ was considered by the First Committee at its 1554th meeting, which adopted the draft resolution contained in document A/C.1/L.420 under the terms of which approval was given by that Committee to the recommendations of the Preparatory Committee, including draft rules of procedure of the conference and cost estimates for the conference, as contained in annexes II and III of the report, respectively.

3. The following cost estimates totalling $380,500 are therefore submitted, including an amount of $25,500 for temporary assistance and consultants previously excluded pending approval by the Assembly of the draft provisional agenda recommended by the Preparatory Committee. The Secretary-General accordingly requests additional budgetary provision in the amount of $380,500 under Section 2, Special meetings and conferences, of the budget for 1968.

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Conference of non-nuclear weapon States - cost estimates

These cost estimates have been based on the following assumptions:

(a) The conference will be held at the United Nations Office at Geneva from 11 March to 10 April 1968.
(b) Four meetings will be held daily, i.e., no more than two in the morning and two in the afternoon.
(c) The languages of the conference for interpretation purposes will be Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish; summary records will be in English, French, Russian and Spanish; documentation will be in English, French, Russian, Spanish and, for important documentation, to an amount of approximately fifteen pages a day, also in Chinese.
(d) Pre-conference documentation will be approximately 350 pages.
(e) In-session documentation, in addition to summary records, will be approximately 700 pages.
(f) The final report of the conference will not exceed forty pages.
(g) Participation in the conference will comprise Member States of the United Nations, of the specialized agencies, or of the International Atomic Energy Agency, and such others as may be decided by the General Assembly.

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(a) & \text{Temporary substantive and secretarial staff and consultants} \\
& \text{25,500} \\
& \text{(i) Provision is made for the employment of 6 consultants each for one month; related travel costs, fees and subsistence costs are estimated at 20,000} \\
& \text{(ii) Additional secretarial assistance will be required to assist in the preparations for the conference; nine man-months would cost (including common costs) an estimated 5,500} \\
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(b) **Pre-conference documentation**

(350 pages in English, French, Russian and Spanish)
Translation
Typing
Reproduction

(c) **Conference servicing costs**

(i) **Travel and subsistence of six substantive staff from Headquarters**

6,800

(ii) **Temporary conference and other servicing staff**

a. Salaries and wages, and, where applicable, subsistence allowance

22 interpreters, 65 translators, 23 revisers, 94 stenographers, 3 calligraphers

219,200

10 secretaries

6,000

2 meetings service officers

2,700

ushers, sound-recording technicians

3,500

b. Travel of Chinese language staff from New York

7,800

c. Travel of non-local conference staff

14,200

Sub-total (ii) 253,400

(iii) **Document reproduction and distribution**

5,000

(iv) **General expenses**

Cables, freight, etc.

5,000

(v) **Public information services**

a. Travel and subsistence of staff from Headquarters (2 radio and 1 visual service)

3,300

b. Contractual services and rental of equipment (film unit, $2,400 photographer and laboratory costs, $800 telecommunications, $1,600)

4,800

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c. Supplies (film stock and magnetic tapes) 1,500

d. Printing of booklet on the conference (in four languages) 10,000

e. Other costs, such as cables, postage, etc. 1,500

Sub-total (v) 21,100

(d) Preparation and reproduction of final report of the conference 3,000

(40 pages in English, French, Russian, Spanish and Chinese)

GRAND TOTAL $380,500

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