Thirty-sixth session
FIFTH COMMITTEE
Agenda items 50 and 100

PROPOSED PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIA 1982-1983
WORLD DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE

Administrative implications of the draft resolution
contained in document A/C.1/36/L.27

Observations by the Committee on Conferences in accordance
with paragraph 6 of General Assembly resolution 35/10 A

1. In accordance with paragraph 6 of resolution 35/10 A, by which the General
Assembly had decided that all proposals affecting the schedule of conferences and
meetings made at sessions of the General Assembly should be reviewed by the
Committee on Conferences when administrative implications were being considered
under the requirements of rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the Assembly, the
Committee on Conferences met to review the implications of the draft resolution
contained in document A/C.1/36/L.27. As the First Committee adopted this draft
resolution before the Committee on Conferences had an opportunity to make its
observations known, they are herewith submitted to the Fifth Committee.

2. By this draft resolution the General Assembly would renew the mandate of the
Ad Hoc Committee on the World Disarmament Conference and would further request it
to submit a report to the General Assembly at its second special session devoted to
disarmament and to its thirty-seventh session.

3. In the course of its deliberations the Committee on Conferences noted that
during the two sessions which the Ad Hoc Committee had held in 1981 a substantial
portion of the meetings planned for these sessions had been cancelled and that the
utilization of conference resources during the meetings actually held had been low.
In view of this the Committee on Conferences recommends to the Fifth Committee and
to the General Assembly that the Ad Hoc Committee should be authorized to meet in
1982 for two sessions at the dates indicated in document A/C.1/36/L.27, but that it
should at both sessions only be provided with one meeting with interpretation
services each day. The Committee noted, however, that the Ad Hoc Committee could be
provided with additional meetings, if need be, on an as available basis.