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FIFTH COMMITTEE
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PROPOSED PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIAUM 1984-1985
WORLD DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE

Administrative and financial implications of the draft resolution
contained in document A/C.1/38/L.17

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 34th meeting held on 21 November 1983 adopted the
draft resolution contained in document A/C.1/38/L.17. The Committee had before it
a statement of administrative and financial implications in document A/C.1/38/L.70.

2. Under the terms of operative paragraph 2 of the draft resolution contained in
document A/C.1/38/L.17 of 10 November 1983, the General Assembly would renew the
mandate of the Ad Hoc Committee on the World Disarmament Conference.

3. Should the General Assembly adopt the draft resolution contained in document
A/C.1/37/L.17, financial implications would arise in respect of conference-
servicing costs to be incurred in connection with the meetings of the Ad Hoc
Committee in 1984. These costs have been estimated on the basis of the following
assumptions:

(a) The Ad Hoc Committee would hold two one-week sessions in 1984 in
New York. The first from 2 to 6 April and the second from 2 to 6 July;

(b) Services would be provided in five languages (Arabic, English, French,
Russian and Spanish) for the in-session documentation and in six languages (Arabic,
Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish) for post-session documentation.
Interpretation would be provided in five languages (Arabic, English, French,
Russian and Spanish).
4. On the basis of the above, the conference-servicing costs for the two sessions are estimated at $171,700 as follows:

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   I. Meeting servicing  
      (Languages of interpretation: A, E, F, R, S)  
      79 800

   II. In-session documentation  
      (40 pages of two documents in A, E, F, R, S)  
      33 200

   III. Post-session documentation  
      (50 pages of two documents in A, C, E, F, R, S)  
      50 500

   IV. General Service requirements  
      8 200

   TOTAL  
      171 700

5. 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 additional resources will be requested in the light of the calendar of conferences for the year 1984 as finally approved by the General Assembly.