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IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECLARATION OF THE INDIAN OCEAN
AS A ZONE OF PEACE

PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1978-1979

Administrative and financial implications of the draft resolution
recommended by the First Committee (A/33/434, para. 8)

Report of the Fifth Committee

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1. At its 57th meeting, on 12 December 1978, the Fifth Committee, pursuant to rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, considered the statement submitted by the Secretary-General (A/C.5/33/85) on the administrative and financial implications of the draft resolution recommended by the First Committee (A/33/434, para. 8). In his statement (A/C.5/33/85), the Secretary-General indicated that the financial implications of the draft resolution would amount to \$738,200, comprising \$718,300 for conference servicing and \$19,900 for temporary assistance.
2. The statement further indicated that the amount of \$718,300 would be included in the consolidated statement of conference servicing costs to be submitted towards the end of the current session of the General Assembly, but that \$19,900 would be required under section 2 C of the programme budget for the biennium 1978-1979.
3. In an oral statement, the Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions informed the Fifth Committee that, in view of the totality of appropriations provided under section 2 C of the programme budget for 1978-1979, the amount of \$19,900 requested for temporary assistance should be absorbed; accordingly, adoption of the draft resolution would not give rise to any additional appropriations at that stage and the conference servicing requirements in the amount of \$718,300 would be considered by the General Assembly in the context of the consolidated statement of conference servicing costs.

4. Comments made by delegations in the course of the discussion of this item are reflected in the relevant summary record (A/C.5/33/SR.57).

DECISION OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE

5. The Fifth Committee decided without objection to inform the General Assembly that, should it adopt the draft resolution recommended by the First Committee (A/33/434, para. 8), no additional appropriations would be required at that stage under section 2 C of the programme budget for the biennium 1978-1979, and that conference servicing costs, not exceeding \$718,300, would be considered in the context of the consolidated statement of conference servicing costs for 1979 which would be submitted towards the end of the current session of the General Assembly.
