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CUESTION OF THE RESERVATION EXCLUSIVELY FOR PEACEFUL PURPOSES OF THE SEA-BED AND THE OCEAN FLOOR, AND THE SUBSOIL THEREOF, UNDERLYING THE HIGH SEAS BEYOND THE LIMITS OF PRESENT NATIONAL JURISDICTION, AND THE USE OF THEIR RESCURCES IN THE INTERESTS OF MANKIND

BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 1970

Administrative and financial implications of draft resolution C recommended by the First Committee in its report (A/7834, paragraph 13)

Report of the Fifth Committee

Rapporteur: Mr. Gregor WOSCHNAGG (Austria)

- 1. At its 1345th meeting, held on 9 December 1969, the Fifth Committee, in compliance with rule 154 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, considered the administrative and financial implications of draft resolution C recommended by the First Committee in paragraph 13 of its report (A/7834). The Committee had before it a statement submitted by the Secretary-General (A/C.5/1276) and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/7837).
- 2. Under the terms of the draft resolution, the Secretary-General would be requested to prepare a further study on various types of international machinery, particularly a study covering in depth the status, structure, functions and powers of an international machinery, having jurisdiction over the peaceful uses of the sea-bed and the ocean floor, and the subsoil thereof, beyond the limits of national jurisdiction.

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- 3. The Secretary-General had estimated that an additional appropriation of \$6,000 for consultant services under section 3 of the budget for the financial year 1970 would be required. The Advisory Committee was of the opinion, however, that it should be possible to carry out the proposed study from within the level of the over-all provision for consultant services in the 1970 regular budget.

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- 4. The Fifth Committee decided to inform the General Assembly that, should draft resolution C recommended by the First Committee in paragraph 13 of its report (A/7834) be adopted, no additional appropriation would be necessary in the budget for the financial year 1970.