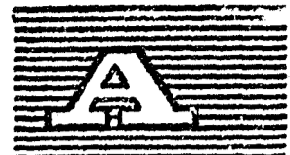


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Financial Implications

Estimated costs of holding an
additional session of the
International Law Commission
early in 1970

(Note by the Secretary-General)

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1. In response to a proposal that the Commission might hold an additional session early in 1970, and having regard to the provisions of rule 154 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Assembly, the following estimates are transmitted.

2. The following assumptions have been made in preparing the estimates:

- (a) The meeting would be held in Geneva or New York. Separate estimates are provided for each location.
- (b) The meeting would be held in the early part of 1970.
- (c) The duration of the session would be four weeks - or possibly five weeks or six weeks.
- (d) The working languages would be English, French, Russian and Spanish.
- (e) The Commission would hold five meetings per week, with the possibility of two or three additional meetings in the last week. It would require translation of in-session documentation, simultaneous interpretation and summary records.
- (f) A drafting committee would hold up to four meetings per week. It would require translation of in-session documentation, and simultaneous interpretation.
- (g) Pre-session documentation would amount to 100 pages.
- (h) In-session documentation, including the draft report, would amount to 230 pages.
- (i) The post-session requirements would consist of the printing of the summary records, and of the report to the General Assembly.

... 3. Details of the estimates are included in the Annex hereto. As will be seen the estimated overall costs of holding an additional four weeks session at Geneva is \$161,700 and at Headquarters, where some of the load might be accommodated, is \$133,500. Should it prove possible to schedule the session at a time when there is no serious overlap with other meetings, possibilities would exist for some reduction of the in-session servicing costs, but such scheduling would not affect the costs of travel of Members and staff, pre-conference documentation, or of post-conference printing costs.

4. The estimated costs for a four weeks session may be summarized as follows:

	<u>A session held at</u>	
	<u>Geneva</u>	<u>New York</u>
	\$	\$
Travel and subsistence		
of Members of the Commission	36,400	49,500
Travel and subsistence of substantive		
staffing detailed from New York		
(for a Geneva meeting)	6,900	-
<u>Pre-session documentation</u>		
(to be done at New York)	4,500	4,500
<u>In-session conference servicing</u>		
Interpretation	14,580	17,900
Translation, typing and reproduction		
of in-session documentation,		
including draft report	20,770	13,000
Summary records for Commission sessions,		
translation, typing and reproduction	31,800	15,350
Editing	10,700	*
Secretaries, technicians and huissiers	2,800	*
<u>Post-session printing</u>		
(Headquarters)		
Summary records	29,500	29,500
Report for the General Assembly	3,750	3,750
	<u>161,700</u>	<u>133,500</u>

5. As also indicated in the Annex, the estimated costs of continuing the session beyond four weeks is \$27,100 per week at Geneva and \$21,850 per week at Headquarters. Consequently the costs of a five weeks session at Geneva may be estimated at \$188,800, and for New York at \$155,350. The comparable figures for a six weeks session are \$215,900 and \$177,200 respectively.

6. If the session is held in New York, an opening date of 13 January is proposed; since the early 1970 meetings schedule for Geneva is yet indefinite, no specific opening date is proposed.

* To be accommodated within establishment at Headquarters.

Estimated costs of holding an additional session
of the International Law Commission early in 1970

	<u>4 Weeks Session</u>		<u>Estimated Costs</u>	
	<u>Estimated Costs</u>		<u>per added week</u>	
	<u>\$</u> <u>Held in</u> <u>Geneva</u>	<u>\$</u> <u>Held in</u> <u>New York</u>	<u>\$</u> <u>Session in</u> <u>Geneva</u>	<u>\$</u> <u>Session in</u> <u>New York</u>
1. Travel and subsistence of Members of Commission	36,400	49,500	4,200	6,650
2. Travel and subsistence of Headquarters substantive staffing (to Geneva meeting)	6,900	-	1,500	-
3. <u>Conference Servicing Costs</u> Translation, typing and repro- duction of 100 pages of pre-session documentation at New York	4,500	4,500	-	-
<u>In-session servicing</u> Interpretation ^{1/}	14,580	17,900	3,800	4,500
Translation, typing and repro- duction of 230 pages of in-session documentation, and report	20,770	13,000	-	-

^{1/} Costs will be reduced if meeting schedule at the time of the session is such that interpreters are available within the regular establishment.

	<u>4 Weeks Session</u>		<u>Estimated Costs</u>	
	<u>Estimated Costs</u>		<u>per added week</u>	
	<u>\$</u> <u>Held in</u> <u>Geneva</u>	<u>\$</u> <u>Held in</u> <u>New York</u>	<u>\$</u> <u>Session in</u> <u>Geneva</u>	<u>\$</u> <u>Session in</u> <u>New York</u>
Summary records for Commission sessions E, F, R, S - translation typing and reproduction	31,800	15,350	7,600	4,000
Editing	10,700	2/	2,600	-
Secretaries, technicians and huissiers	2,800	2/	700	-
Total In-session	80,650	46,250	14,700	8,500
 4. <u>Post-session</u>				
Printing of summary records ^{3/} (Headquarters)	29,500	29,500	6,700	6,700
Printing of final report ^{3/} (Headquarters)	3,750	3,750	-	-
	33,250	33,250	6,700	6,700
Total	<u>161,700</u>	<u>133,500</u>	<u>27,100</u>	<u>21,850</u>

^{2/} To be accommodated within regular establishment at Headquarters.

^{3/} Headquarters will attempt to accommodate the proofreading and copy preparation work.