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ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS OF THE REPORT OF THE
WORKING GROUP ON INTERNATIONAL LEGISLATION ON SHIPPING ON THE
WORK OF ITS SIXTH SESSION

Statement submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance
with rule 155 of the rules of procedure

1. In its report to the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL), 1/ the Working Group on International Legislation on Shipping decided to recommend to the Commission that its next two sessions be held as follows:

Seventh session: Geneva, 30 September-11 October 1974

Eighth session: New York, January or February 1975

2. In the approved Programme Budget for 1974-1975 a provision in the amount of \$251,000 was included for meetings of UNCITRAL and its subsidiary bodies. This amount provided for one session in each of the years 1974 and 1975 for the Commission and for each of its three subsidiary groups, i.e., the Working Group on International Legislation on Shipping, the Working Group on the International Sale of Goods and the Working Group on International Negotiable Instruments. This provision was made on the understanding that, in 1974, the Commission and one of its groups would meet at Headquarters and the other two groups in Geneva, and that in 1975 the venue for each body would be alternated. The Working Group on International Legislation on Shipping has already held its sixth session in Geneva from 4 to 20 February 1974. Therefore, unless the venue of the session of one of the other two Working Groups of UNCITRAL is changed from Geneva to New York, the proposal of the Working Group on International Legislation on Shipping to hold an additional session in Geneva in 1974 would entail additional expenditure, estimated at \$23,200 as follows:

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Interpretation	10,700
Translation and typing	8,100
Other conference servicing staff	1,900
Travel and subsistence of two substantive staff	2,500
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Total	23,200
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3. Financial regulation 13.2 provides that where in the opinion of the Secretary-General, proposed new expenditures arising from subsequent decisions by competent bodies cannot be made from existing appropriations, it shall not be incurred until the General Assembly has made the necessary appropriations, unless he certifies that provision can be made under the conditions of the resolution of the General Assembly relating to unforeseen and extraordinary expenses. Therefore, should UNCITRAL endorse the recommendation of its Working Group on International Legislation on Shipping that it hold an additional session in Geneva in 1974, the Secretary-General would seek the concurrence of the Advisory Committee, as prescribed in General Assembly resolution 3196 (XXVIII), to enter into commitments to meet unforeseen and extraordinary expenses, up to a maximum of \$23,200, relating to the holding in Geneva in 1974 of a seventh session of the Working Group on International Legislation on Shipping.