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RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED WITHOUT REFERENCE TO A COMMITTEE

490 (V). Question of the representation of China in the General Assembly

The General Assembly,

Taking note of differences of view concerning the representation of China in the United Nations,

Establishes a Special Committee consisting of seven Members nominated by the President and confirmed by the General Assembly to consider the question of Chinese representation and to report back, with recommendations, to the present session of the General Assembly, after the Assembly shall have considered item 62 of the provisional agenda (item proposed by Cuba);¹

Resolves that, pending a decision by the General Assembly on the report of this Special Committee, the representatives of the National Government of China shall be seated in the General Assembly with the same rights as other representatives.

*277th plenary meeting,
19 September 1950.*

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At its 321st plenary meeting on 12 December 1950, the General Assembly, on the nomination of the President, elected by secret ballot the following States Members to the Special Committee: CANADA, ECUADOR, INDIA, IRAQ, MEXICO, the PHILIPPINES and POLAND.

491 (V). Admission of the Republic of Indonesia to membership in the United Nations

The General Assembly,

Noting the recommendation² of the Security Council of 26 September 1950 that the Republic of Indonesia should be admitted to membership in the United Nations,

Noting also the declaration³ made by the representative of the Republic of Indonesia to the effect that it will accept the obligations contained in the Charter of the United Nations,

Admits the Republic of Indonesia to membership in the United Nations.

*289th plenary meeting,
28 September 1950.*

492 (V). Continuation in office of the Secretary-General of the United Nations

The General Assembly,

Having received communications⁴ from the President of the Security Council, dated 12 October and 25

October 1950, stating that the Security Council has been unable to agree on a recommendation to the General Assembly regarding the appointment of a Secretary-General,

Considering the necessity to ensure the uninterrupted exercise of the functions vested by the Charter in the office of the Secretary-General,

Considering that the Security Council recommended⁵ to the first regular session of the General Assembly the appointment of Mr. Trygve Lie as Secretary-General and that, on 1 February 1946, the General Assembly appointed⁶ Mr. Trygve Lie as Secretary-General for a five-year term,

Decides that the present Secretary-General shall be continued in office for a period of three years.

*298th plenary meeting,
1 November 1950.*

493 (V). Convention on the Declaration of Death of Missing Persons: International Bureau for Declarations of Death

The General Assembly,

Having regard to article 15 of the Convention on the Declaration of Death of Missing Persons established by the United Nations Conference on Declaration of Death of Missing Persons,⁷

1. *Decides* to approve the establishment of the International Bureau for Declarations of Death provided for in article 8 of the aforementioned Convention;

2. *Decides* that the expenses of the International Bureau should be assessed upon such non-member States as may become parties to the Convention, in accordance with the principle adopted in this respect in connexion with the expenses of the International Court of Justice.

*305th plenary meeting,
16 November 1950.*

494 (V). Development of a 20-year programme for achieving peace through the United Nations

The General Assembly,

Having considered the "Memorandum⁸ of points for consideration in the development of a 20-year programme for achieving peace through the United Nations" submitted by the Secretary-General,

⁵ See *Official Records of the Security Council, First Year, First Series*, No. 1, page 44.

⁶ See *Official Records of the General Assembly, First part of the first session, Plenary Meetings*, page 304.

⁷ See *United Nations Conference on Declaration of Death of Missing Persons*, United Nations Publications, sales number: 1950.V.1.

⁸ See document A/1304.

¹ Item 61 of the agenda as approved by the General Assembly.

² See *Official Records of the Security Council, Fifth Year*, No. 45.

³ See document A/1393.

⁴ See documents A/1439 and A/1460.