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LETTER DATED 6 DECEMBER 1948 FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE MEMBERSHIP
COMMITTEE TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL CONCERNING
ISRAEL'S APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION TO THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE
UNITED NATIONS

6 December 1948

The Security Council Membership Committee has discussed Israel's application for admission to membership of the United Nations.

As a result of its discussions, the Committee came to the conclusion that it was not at present in possession of the requisite information to enable it to come to any decision. In particular, it was pointed out in the Committee that the General Assembly itself had not yet reached any conclusion on the Palestine question as a whole.

The USSR and Ukrainian delegates declared, however, that for their part they saw no reason whatever for delaying Israel's admission to the United Nations. The Syrian delegate, on the other hand, expressed his opposition to the application for admission, and added that the application did not merit consideration.

The Security Council Membership Committee has instructed me to apprise the Council of the above. The Committee considers that it will be for the Security Council to decide at the proper time whether to refer the matter back to the Committee or take a decision itself.

(Signed) Joseph Nisot

Chairman of the Security Council
Membership Committee.