

SUMMARY STATEMENT BY THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF MATTERS OF WHICH
THE SECURITY COUNCIL IS SEIZED AND OF THE STAGE REACHED
IN THEIR CONSIDERATION

Pursuant to rule 11 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Security Council, I submit the following summary statement of matters of which the Security Council is seized and of the stage reached in their consideration on 12 February 1949:

1. The Iranian question (see S/1184).
2. Special agreements under Article 43 and the organization of the Armed Forces made available to the Security Council (see S/1184).
3. Rules of Procedure of the Security Council (see S/1184).
4. Statute and rules of procedure of the Military Staff Committee (see S/1184).
5. The general regulation and reduction of armaments and information on Armed Forces of the United Nations (see also S/1184).

By letter, dated 14 January 1949, the Secretary-General transmitted to the Security Council the resolution adopted by the General Assembly at its 163rd meeting, 19 November 1948, concerning prohibition of the atomic weapon and reduction by 1/3 of the armaments and armed forces of the permanent members of the Security Council (S/1216). This letter was considered at the 407th and 408th meetings.

At the 407th meeting the representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics submitted a draft resolution (S/1246/Rev.1) also dealing with this question.

At the 408th meeting the representative of the United States of America submitted a draft resolution (S/1248) recommending that the resolution of the General Assembly of 19 November 1948 (S/1216) be transmitted to the Commission for Conventional Armaments for action according to its terms. The representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics also introduced a draft resolution proposing that the Soviet draft resolution (S/1246/Rev.1) be transmitted, together with the resolution of the General Assembly (S/1216), to the Commission for Conventional Armaments and separately to the United Nations Atomic Energy Commission.

The result of the voting on the draft resolutions before the Council was as follows:

The United States of America draft resolution (S/1248) was adopted by a vote of 9 votes in favour, none against, with 2 abstentions;

The Union of Soviet Socialist Republics draft resolution (S/1246/Rev.1) was rejected by a vote of 2 in favour (USSR, Ukrainian SSR), none against, and 9 abstentions;

The Union of Soviet Socialist Republics draft resolution (S/1249) was rejected by 3 votes in favour, none against, with 8 abstentions.

6. Appointment of a Governor of the Free Territory of Trieste
(see also S/1184).

The following document concerning this question was distributed to the representatives on the Security Council:

(a) S/1251

Letter from the representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics dated 8 February 1949 to the President of the Security Council concerning the appointment of the Governor of the Free Territory of Trieste.

7. The Egyptian question (see S/1184).

8. The Indonesian question (see also S/1184, S/1217, S/1228, S/1237 and S/1244).

The following documents concerning this question were distributed to the representatives on the Security Council:

(a) S/1250

Letter dated 9 February 1949 addressed to the President of the Security Council from the representative of the Republic of Indonesia concerning the Indonesian question;

(b) S/1253

Letter dated 1 February 1949 from the United Nations Commission for Indonesia to the President of the Security Council transmitting a memorandum submitted by the Chairman of the Delegation of the Republic of Indonesia outlining the Republican position with regard to the military action in Indonesia and the controversies between the Netherlands and Republican Governments;

(c) S/1254

Letter dated 1 February 1949 from the United Nations Commission for Indonesia to the President of the Security Council transmitting a report submitted by the Chairman of the Delegation of the Republic of Indonesia on the conditions of internment of Republican leaders at Bangka from 16 to 24 January 1949.

9. Voting procedure in the Security Council (see S/1184).
10. Procedure in application of Articles 87 and 88 of the Charter with regard to the Pacific Islands under strategic trusteeship of the United States of America (see S/1184).
11. Application for membership (see also S/1184 and S/1244).

The following document concerning this question was distributed to the representatives on the Security Council:

(a) S/1247

Telegram dated 9 February 1949 from the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to the Secretary-General.

12. The Palestine question (see also S/1184, S/1217, S/1228, S/1237 and S/1244).

The following documents concerning this question were distributed to the representatives on the Security Council:

(a) S/1245

Cablegram dated 8 February 1949 from the Acting Mediator to the Secretary-General;

(b) S/1255

Cablegram dated 11 February 1949 from the Acting Mediator to the Secretary-General transmitting a report concerning food and medical convoys for Al Faluja.

13. The India-Pakistan question (see S/1184 and S/1217).
14. The Czechoslovakian situation (see S/1184).
15. The question of the Free Territory of Trieste (see S/1184 and S/1244).
16. The Hyderabad question (see S/1184).
17. Identic notifications dated 29 September 1948 from the Governments of the French Republic, the United Kingdom and the United States of America to the Secretary-General (see S/1184).

