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REPORT OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

(Chapter I, Section VI)

Question of increasing the membership
of the Economic and Social Council

Note by the Chairman

In order to facilitate the Committee's work in connexion with the communication to the Special Political Committee of the Second Committee's views on the question of increasing the membership of the Economic and Social Council, the Chairman suggests the following text of a letter which he contemplates asking the President of the General Assembly to transmit to the Chairman of the Special Political Committee:

Sir,

At the request of the Second Committee, I have the honour to inform you that the said Committee has taken the following position with regard to the question of increasing the membership of the Economic and Social Council (report of the Economic and Social Council, chapter I, section VI), this question having been referred to it for preliminary examination on the understanding that the responsibility for taking a decision on the question would lie with the Special Political Committee.

The representatives of
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are of the opinion that, in view of the increase in membership of the United Nations since its establishment, an increase in the membership of the Council is desirable in order to achieve a broader measure of representation and to make the Council a more effective organ for carrying out the obligations placed upon it under chapters IX and X of the Charter of the United Nations and that such an increase should be designed to preserve the expeditious conduct of the work of the Council.

The representatives of
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are also of the opinion that it will be sufficient for the records of the meetings at which this matter has been discussed to be transmitted to the Special Political Committee.

In addition, several representatives have stated that they preferred to speak on this matter in the Special Political Committee rather than in the Second Committee.

I should therefore be grateful if you would convey to the Chairman of the Special Political Committee the Second Committee's views as stated above, together with the attached records of this Committee.

Chairman of the Second Committee
