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REPORT OF THE AGENT GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS  
KOREAN RECONSTRUCTION AGENCY

Draft report of the Second Committee

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[Covering note: The Rapporteur, in circulating his draft report, requests those delegations which wish to suggest any changes in this draft to submit them to him or to the Secretary of the Committee by 1 p.m., Wednesday, 20 November 1957. In view of the fact that the summary records of the Committee's proceedings are available to the plenary meetings, the Rapporteur has not endeavoured to summarize the Committee's debates. This is in accord with generally accepted procedure and with the past practices of the Second Committee.]

1. The General Assembly, at its 682nd plenary meeting on 20 September 1957, allocated to the Second Committee for consideration and report item 27 of its agenda, "Report of the Agent General of the United Nations Korean Reconstruction Agency". <sup>1/</sup>
2. The Committee considered this item at its 490th and 491st meetings (A/C.2/SR.490 and 491). Twelve delegations, as well as the Agent General of the United Nations Korean Reconstruction Agency, took part in the debate.

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<sup>1/</sup> Official Records of the General Assembly, Twelfth Session, Supplement No.17 (A/3651 and Add.1, and A/3651/Corr.1).

3. The Committee received one specific proposal under this item submitted by Canada, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the United States of America and Uruguay (A/C.2/L.352 and Add.1). Under this joint draft resolution the General Assembly would (1) commend the Agent General of the United Nations Korean Reconstruction Agency for the excellent work performed by the Agency in pursuing its mission of assisting the Korean people to relieve the sufferings and to repair the devastation caused by aggression; (2) express its conviction that the work of the Agency will have long-lasting and significant effects upon the economy of Korea and upon the well-being of the Korean people; (3) express appreciation for the valuable assistance given to the Agency by United Nations specialized agencies and by voluntary non-governmental organizations; (4) approve the recommendation of the Agent General that the Agency cease as an operational organization on 30 June 1958; and (5) further approve the arrangements and procedures proposed by the Agent General in his Memorandum dated 13 November 1957 for the completion after 30 June 1958 of the residual responsibilities of the Agency and the subsequent liquidation of its accounts.

4. The Committee voted on the joint draft resolution at its 491st meeting as follows, a separate vote being taken, at the request of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, on the first paragraph of the preamble and on the first and second operative paragraphs:

The first paragraph of the preamble was adopted by 44 votes to 9, with 7 abstentions.

Operative paragraph 1 was adopted by 45 votes to 8, with 8 abstentions.

Operative paragraph 2 was adopted by 45 votes to 9, with 9 abstentions.

The joint draft resolution as a whole was adopted by 44 votes to none, with 18 abstentions.

5. The Second Committee therefore recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

REPORT OF THE AGENT GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS  
KOREAN RECONSTRUCTION AGENCY

The General Assembly,

Recalling General Assembly resolutions 410 (V) of 1 December 1950, 701 (VII) of 11 March 1953, 725 (VIII) of 7 December 1953, 828 (IX) of 14 December 1954, 920 (X) of 25 October 1955 and 1020 (XI) of 2 December 1956,

Taking note:

(a) of the Report of the Agent General on the Work of the United Nations Korean Reconstruction Agency for the period 1 July 1956 to 30 June 1957,<sup>1/</sup> and of the comments thereon by the United Nations Commission for the Unification and Rehabilitation of Korea (A/3675);

(b) of the addendum to the Agent General's report, dated 31 October 1957 (A/3651/Add.1);

(c) of the Memorandum of the Agent General to the Advisory Committee dated 13 November 1957,

Recognizing the especial importance of the Agency's programme for the relief and rehabilitation of the Republic of Korea,

1. Commends the Agent General of the United Nations Korean Reconstruction Agency for the excellent work performed by the Agency in pursuing its mission of assisting the Korean people to relieve the sufferings and to repair the devastation caused by aggression;

2. Expresses its conviction that the work of the Agency will have long-lasting and significant effects upon the economy of Korea and upon the well-being of the Korean people;

3. Expresses appreciation for the valuable assistance given to the Agency by United Nations specialized agencies and by voluntary non-governmental organizations;

4. Approves the recommendation of the Agent General that the Agency cease as an operational organization on 30 June 1958;

5. Further approves the arrangements and procedures proposed by the Agent General in his Memorandum dated 13 November 1957 for the completion after 30 June 1958 of the residual responsibilities of the Agency and the subsequent liquidation of its accounts.

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