

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

A. 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 19 December 1947:

1. The Iranian Question (see document S/603);
2. Special Agreements under Article 43 and the Organization of the Armed Forces made available to the Security Council (see document S/603);
3. Rules of Procedure of the Security Council (see document S/603);
4. Statute and Rules of Procedure of the Military Staff Committee (see document S/603);
5. The General Regulation and Reduction of Armaments and Information on Armed Forces of the United Nations (see document S/603);
6. Appointment of a Governor of the Free Territory of Trieste (see also document S/603);

The Security Council at its 223rd meeting held in private on 18 December 1947, decided, in pursuance of Article 11, (paragraph 1), of the Permanent Statute for the Free Territory of Trieste, to request the governments of Italy and Yugoslavia to consult with each other in an effort to agree on a candidate and to report on their progress to the Council not later than 5 January 1948;

7. The Egyptian Question (see document S/603);
8. The Indonesian Question (see also documents S/603 and S/623);

At its 224th meeting held on 19 December 1947, the Security Council agreed that the Committee of Good Offices should continue with its present composition after 31 December 1947.

9. Voting Procedure in the Security Council (see also document S/603);

By letter dated 2 December 1947, (document S/620), addressed to the President of the Security Council, the Secretary-General drew the attention to the resolution concerning the Voting Procedure in the Security Council adopted by the General Assembly on 21 November 1947.

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The Security Council considered this communication at its 224th meeting on 19 December 1947. The President of the Council confirmed the receipt of the above-mentioned letter.

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 also documents S/603 and S/623);

By letter dated 12 December 1947 (document S/621) the Chairman of the Committee of Experts announced that due to unexpected complications the Committee of Experts had not been able to report to the Council within the time specified, and that it would do so at the earliest possible moment.

The Security Council considered this letter at its 224th meeting on 19 December 1947. A resolution submitted by the representative of Poland (document S/625) giving further instructions to the Committee of Experts and setting new time limits was ruled out of order by the President of the Council. The ruling was challenged, but confirmed by a vote with nine affirmative votes. The representative of Poland reserved his right to reintroduce his draft resolution under a separate agenda item later.

The President stated that the Council took note of the above-mentioned letter.

11. Application for membership (see document S/610);  
12. The Palestinian Question (see document S/623).

